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PENNY MORDAUNT

RISHI SUNAK

## SUNAK IS BOOKIE'S FAVOURITE TO REPLACE TRUSS AS U.K. PM

**As Tory rebels look for ways to oust British Prime Minister Liz Truss, pollster bets on Rishi Sunak to make a comeback**

### PRESSURE MOUNTS ON 1922 COMMITEE

Truss, elected last month, cannot face a trust vote for one year, as per the rules. But rebels are mounting pressure on the 1922 Committee, which holds Tory elections, to amend the rulebook. Up to 100 letters expressing no trust in Truss have been sent to the committee. Its chairman said 178 of 356 Tory lawmakers must request a rule change for it to be considered

### SUNAK-MORDAUNT JOINT TICKET FLOATED

- Oddschecker showed Sunak as the favourite to replace Truss. However, he still faces opposition from Boris Johnson's loyalists, who blame him for their leader's fall from power
- A unity ticket involving Sunak and Penny Mordaunt, who came third in the leadership race, is also being considered | P9

### October 31

WHEN JEREMY HUNT WILL PRESENT MEDIUM-TERM BUDGET


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# Congress ballot paper amended for today's polls

Delegates told to put tick mark, after Tharoor says writing '1' may create needless confusion

CYNTHIA CHANDRAN @T'Puram

A day before the much-awaited Congress presidential elections, Kerala MP Shashi Tharoor won a small battle by getting an important change made in the ballot paper.

Central election authority Madhusudan Mistry saw merit in Tharoor's point that the directive asking voters to write '1' against the name of their chosen candidate was flawed as it could be mistaken as 'candidate number 1' on the ballot paper, who is Mallikarjun Kharge.

On Saturday, Mistry's missive to PCC members said they need to mark '1' on the ballot paper against their choice of candidate, fold the ballot paper and put it into the ballot box.

Following Tharoor's intervention, Mistry's office amended the directive and informed delegates that they need to place a tick mark in the box near the name of their candidate, instead of writing '1'. Any other symbol or number would make the vote invalid.

Tharoor shared the development through a tweet: "Breaking News: the @incIndia Election Authority has changed the requirement for a vote from writing '1' against the preferred candidate's name to a tick mark. Delegates please note a tick mark is needed in the box next to my name!"

Mistry justified the earlier directive citing the Congress constitution for writing '1' before the preferred choice. However, Tharoor's team said that it is required only in cases when there are two or more candidates and preferences have to be made.

Tharoor also released a video message in both Hindi and English seeking support for the last time before polls on Monday. He also emphasised it was a secret ballot and urged them to come forward bravely and vote for 'change.' Meanwhile, Kharge pushed back at charges that he would be tied to the Gandhi family, saying there was no shame in taking the advice and support from them in running the party if he becomes its president.

Shashi Tharoor drinks tea at a roadside stall in Lucknow on Sunday | PTI

**Rahul to vote in Karnataka's Bellary**

Rahul Gandhi, who is currently in Karnataka as part of his Bharat Jodo Yatra, will cast his vote in the presidential polls at Sanganakallu in Bellary

# Summoned Sisodia to appear before CBI today

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

WITH the CBI summoning Delhi Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia to appear before it on Monday for questioning over his alleged role in the excise policy rip-off, his Aam Aadmi Party claimed he would be arrested to stymie its gains in poll-bound Gujarat.

This is the first time the CBI has summoned Sisodia, who is the primary accused in the case related to the now-scrapped liquor policy, for questioning.

Sisodia took to Twitter to say he will visit the CBI headquarters at 11 am and provide full cooperation to the probe. "The CBI raided my house for 14 hours, but nothing came out of it. They searched my bank locker and found nothing. They did not find anything in my village. Now they have called me to CBI Headquarters at 11 am tomorrow. I will go and give my full cooperation," he tweeted in Hindi.

The AAP claimed the BJP is rattled with its rise in Gujarat where it is gearing up to give a tough fight. "To shift the agenda from the growing anti-incumbency against its 27-year-long tenure, the BJP now wants to dent the AAP's poll run, which is why they have conspired to have Manish Sisodia arrest at the CBI headquarters tomorrow," party leader Atishi alleged.

Minutes after Sisodia's tweet, Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal rallied around him and the other jailed former Delhi minister Satyendar Jain, likening them to freedom fighter Bhagat Singh. "Jail bars and hanging noose could not deter Bhagat Singh's lofty intentions. This is the second fight for freedom. Manish and Satyendra are today's Bhagat Singh," Kejriwal claimed.

The CBI FIR against Sisodia and 14 others mentions various IPC sections, including 120B (criminal conspiracy) and 477A (falsification of records), and section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, which deals with taking undue advantage to influence a public servant by corrupt or illegal means.

### COUPLE OF ARRESTS IN EXCISE SCAM SO FAR

The CBI has already questioned Sameer Mahendru, owner of IndoSpirits, Amit Arora, director of Buddy Retail, and India Ahead News managing director Mootha Gautam. It has also arrested Vijay Nair, former CEO of Only Much Louder, and businessman Abhishek Boinpally


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## MBBS TEXTBOOKS IN HINDI

Home Minister Amit Shah on Sunday termed the beginning of imparting medical education in Hindi in MP as "historic" | P7

## ACTION THRILLER

FROM T20 WORLD CUP DOWN UNDER TO FOOTBALL IN EUROPE, THERE WAS PLENTY OF DRAMA IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS ON SUNDAY. HERE'S A LOOK AT WHAT UNFOLDED...

### REAL MADRID TAKE EL CLASICO HONOURS

Given how Barcelona played in the Champions League mid-week, their visit to Santiago Bernabeu was always going to be a challenge. And Real Madrid ensured the El Clasico was one to forget for Xavi's boys as the defending champions strolled to a 3-1 victory. Karim Benzema (left), opened the scoring in the 12th minute before Fede Valverde (right) gave the hosts a 2-0 lead at the break. Ferran Torres pulled one back for the Catalans in the 83rd minute to set up an exciting finish, but Rodrygo's penalty in stoppage time sealed the deal for Madrid as they went top of La Liga | P11

### LIVERPOOL HAND CITY FIRST DEFEAT

The Premier League is never short on drama. At Elland Road, Arsenal saw off a spirited challenge from Leeds (1-0) with help from VAR to retain top spot in the table. Later, Liverpool ensured Manchester City couldn't breach Anfield. In a tense affair, which saw Reds manager Jurgen Klopp was sent off, Mo Salah's 76-minute strike gave the hosts (1-0) their third win in the league

### NAMIBIA SHOCK SRI LANKA IN T20 WORLD CUP OPENER

The T20 World Cup in Australia got off to a dramatic start on Sunday. In the opening match at Geelong, Associate nation Namibia stunned Sri Lanka, who won the Asia Cup last month. Jan Frylinck was the star for Namibia, who are featuring in a T20 WC for only the second time ever, as he scored 44 runs and picked up two wickets. Set 164 for win, Sri Lanka were bundled out for 108. In another match, the Netherlands posted a thrilling three-wicket win over the UAE with 1 ball remaining

# NEGATIVE ADS CAST SHADOW OVER GIM

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

As Karnataka rolls out the red carpet for the Global Investors' Meet to be held from November 2 to 4, a blitzkrieg of negative social media posts and advertisements has shaken the international investment world. An advertisement in a foreign daily attempts to warn investors, claiming that the political and business climate in the country is not conducive. "Modi government officials have decimated the rule of law by weaponizing the institutions of the state to settle scores with political and business rivals, making India unsafe for investors. If you are an investor in India you might be next.... Under Modi, a decline in the rule of law has made India a dangerous place to invest," says a post.

It comes at a time when many industrialists and head honchos are firming up travel plans to Bengaluru. As experts deliberate on the fallout, Major Industries Minister N Murugesh Nirani claimed it will not impact investor sentiment.

Nirani told TNIE, "We have done our homework. If investors are not interested, why would they have met us in the first place? We've got good feedback from our potential investors. I'm confident that this will not hit investments in Karnataka."

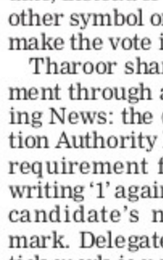
JDS leader and former chief minister HD Kumaraswamy said, "Things are worse here than what social media posts claim. The recent floods in Mahadevapura and Peenya Industrial Area, where many lost fortunes, are only an indicator of how bad things are. Corporates have little respect for the present government." P4

# CBI chargesheets DHFL ex-CMD and 74 others in ₹34,000 cr scam

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Central Bureau of Investigation has filed a chargesheet against Kapil Wadhawan, the former CMD of the Dewan Housing Finance Corporation Limited (DHFL) and 74 others in connection with a ₹34,000-bank-fraud case. A consortium of 17 Indian banks led by the Union Bank of India was defrauded by DHFL.

In the chargesheet filed on Saturday, the CBI named Wadhawan, his brother and former director Dheeraj Wadhawan, then CEO Harshil Mehta and former CFO Krieshan Groverr as the key accused. The agency also named 13 others and 57 companies that were allegedly used to divert funds.



In June, the CBI registered a case on a complaint filed by the Union Bank of India, Industrial Finance Branch, Mumbai against the directors of DHFL, private individuals and unknown government officials. It was alleged that the accused cheated the consortium, which had extended credit facilities to DHFL to the tune of ₹42,871 crore between 2010 and 2018.

The accused siphoned out ₹34,615 crore using the credit facilities extended to DHFL as loans by producing fake documents and round-tripped funds through 57 companies to create personal assets for the Wadhawans, the CBI said.

# Cruise-like boats to ferry tourists in Sharavathi

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

TO boost tourism, reduce carbon footprint in the pristine Western Ghats and address religious sentiments of the people, for the first time in the state, officials from Karnataka Power Corporation Limited (KPCL) and Jungle Lodges and Resorts (JLR) are introducing cruise-like large boats in the Sharavathi river.

The boats will ferry people from the Talkale dam backwaters to Vadanbail island, allowing visitors to enjoy the beauty of the island and also visit the shrine of Goddess Vadanbail, a popular Jain deity.

At present, tourists have to travel nearly 40 km by road to reach the island. Once the boats are introduced, the travel time will be reduced and vehicular movement and related pollution will be cut down. Vehicles may be completely banned, if need be, officials said. The plan has got the thumbs-up from local residents, officials and panchayat members.

"We can start the operation once KPCL finalises the tenders. Since the dam has water throughout the year, operating the boats will not be a problem. Jetties of can carry 16-40 people. Onboard facilities will also be provided," JLR Managing Director Manoj Kumar told TNIE. P5

# Two washed away in tank

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Tumakuru

TWO farmers were washed away in the flood waters near the sluice outlet of an overflowing tank at Kalluru near Kadaba in Gubbi taluk on Saturday night.

The victims were identified as Hanumanthaiah (40) and Nataraju (36) who were returning home after visiting their farms.

They were riding a motorbike when they slipped and fell. They went to the water flowing from the tank to wash their clothes, when one of them got sucked into the stream. The other farmer tried to rescue his friend, when he too fell into the waters and got washed away. NDRF and fire force personnel launched an operation to search for the two farmers, said Gubbi Circle Inspector Nadaf.

One side of the stretch from Bashyam Circle towards Yeshwanthpur was closed as the Sankey Tank Road caved in, in Bengaluru on Sunday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

# Van-bus crash kills nine

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Hassan

Nine people, including four women and four children, were killed on the spot and ten others injured after a van collided with a KSRTC bus near Chaluvanahalli in Banavara police limits on Sunday morning.

Two of the injured are critical. The deceased were from Hallikeri and Salapura villages of Arsikere taluk and all of them were in the van. Fourteen relatives from the two villages were returning from Dharmasthala and Subramanya.

SP Hariram Shankar said rash driving by both drivers caused the accident. The van first collided with the bus and crashed into a milk tanker.

The deceased are Lilavati (49), Chaitra (33), Vandana(20), Bharati(50), Dimpy(12), Tanmai (10), Samarati (11), Dhruva (2) and Doddaiah (50). District minister K Gopalaiah announced a compensation Rs 2 lakh to the families of each deceased.

ENCROACHMENT

# OMG! Lord Hanuman cross as Rlys sends eviction notice

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

REMEMBER the 2012 Bollywood movie *Oh My God!* starring Paresh Rawal and Akshay Kumar that was inspired from the Australian film *The Man Who Sued God?* Well, Lord Hanuman wasn't sued but He recently got an eviction notice from Dhanbad Rail Division assistant engineer Anand Kumar Pandey for squatting in the Bekar Bandh area that belongs to the railways. He was warned of legal action if his temple was not removed within 10 days. The notice pasted on the temple wall had Lord Hanuman's name as the encroacher.

Pandey soon realised he had needlessly messed up with the powerful deity as he was transferred shortly thereafter to the Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Rail Division in UP. The Dhanbad railway tried to explain it off as a routine transfer, as four other engineers, too, were shifted to other locations at the same time. However, they admitted the eviction notice to the deity was a mistake.

Pandey had issued eviction notices 27 other households living in makeshift accommodations around the temple as well. Matters came to a head when locals spotted the notice to Hanumanji pasted on the temple wall and launched a protest. Railway officials immediately realised their mistake and removed it.

"It was a human error. There was no intention to hurt people's sentiments. We were only trying to get the land vacated from encroachers," officials said on condition of anonymity.

# Xi talks tough as party meet opens

**The Chinese Communist Party on Sunday began its week-long Congress amid expectation of President Xi Jinping getting a record third term as its leader. A look**

In his address, Xi defended the zero-Covid policy, saying he put people and their lives first while dealing with it

The Chinese president condemned external forces for interfering in self-ruled Taiwan, which China claims as its own. He warned that China will not renounce the use of force to unify Taiwan with the mainland, if needed

He said Chinese military will intensify troop training and combat preparedness to fight and win wars besides creating a strong system of strategic deterrence

Xi told the delegates that his long-running crackdown on corruption had put an end to serious latent dangers within the Communist Party, military and the state | P9

POST-VACATION

# DPI POSTPONES EXAM TO NOV 3

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

**Revised examination timetable**

**November 3** First Language
**November 4** Second Language
**November 5** Third Language
**November 7** Mathematics
**November 8** Science
**November 9** Social Science
**November 10** Physical Education

IN a last-minute change, the Department of Public Instruction has postponed the mid-term examination for students of Classes 1 to 10 by two weeks. With this, students will have enough time to mentally prepare themselves for the examination after the Dasara vacation.

According to the calendar of events released by the department in April, examinations were to begin on October 17, immediately after the Dasara vacation. Schools had raised their concern saying they would function for 12 days, after accounting for the Dasara vacation in October. The department released the revised examination timetable just a day before the exams were to start.

"Due to lack of compliance and children needing time to mentally prepare for the examinations, a revised timetable has been published," the department stated. According to the new timetable, examinations will now take place between November 3 and November 10.

The department has instructed schools to ensure that examinations are conducted within the stipulated time. But they have given schools the freedom to rearrange the order of subjects and examination dates as per their requirement.

# Heavy rain reduces wall to rubble outside CID office

Traffic thrown out of gear in city; Bikers fall into water-filled potholes

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

The compound wall of the CID office on Palace Road which collapsed due to heavy rain in Bengaluru, on Sunday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

FOLLOWING heavy rain in Bengaluru on Saturday night, a compound wall adjacent to the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) office on Palace Road collapsed late night while waterlogging was reported in several parts of the city.

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahangara Palike (BBMP) staffers reached the spot where the wall had collapsed. No casualty has been reported in the incident. BBMP staffers cleared the debris from the spot but a pile of huge chunks of stone were seen till early morning. Many people were stuck in traffic due to heavy showers as pictures of submerged roads made the rounds on social media.

Traffic at Koramangala, Malleswaram, Jayamahal, Cauvery Junction on Bellary Road, Shivananda Circle, KG Road, Bannerghatta Road, and JC Road was thrown out of gear.

A couple of bikers escaped with minor injuries after they fell down on Jayamahal Road and Mekhri Circle when their vehicles hit potholes filled with water. There was flooding again on the Bengaluru-Mysuru Highway after water from Budanur Lake overflowed and entered Mandya taluk, bringing traffic to a complete halt. The traffic were forced to divert vehicles heading towards Mysuru via Malavalli and Maddur. A lake was breached which led to heavy flooding of hundreds of acres of land.

Meanwhile, the India Meteorological Department said the city will receive light to moderate rain till October 19 while Bengaluru received 8.5 mm of rainfall on Saturday night as some parts of the state witnessed heavy rain.

"Heavy rain is likely to occur in Dakshina Kannada, Udupi and Uttara Kannada districts of coastal Karnataka, Belagavi, Kalaburagi, Bagalkote, Yadgir, Vijayapura, Raichur and Koppal districts of north, interior Karnataka and Chamarajanagar. Bengaluru Rural, Urban, Chikkamagaluru, Mandya, Hassan, Kodagu, Ramanagara, Davangere and Tumakuru districts are also likely to see heavy showers," the IMD stated.

# Break in demolition allows owners to acquire stay order

MOHAMMED YACOOB @ Bengaluru

THE Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), which had planned to carry out demolition to remove stormwater drain encroachments on weekends to avoid owners getting stay orders from court, was defeated in its strategy allegedly due to its slow action as owners at Gururaja Layout and Fern City obtained a court-ordered stay against demolition on their properties.

Executive Engineer, Stormwater drain, R Malathi, said that when the Palike officials arrived at Fern City and Gururaja Layout with bulldozers at Doddanekundi at Mahadevapura Zone to clear stormwater drain encroachments on Saturday, they found that the owners were armed with a stay order, and the notices were put up on the wall.

> **It appears that the officials are not just delaying the drive to help the owners get a stay order, but are also suggesting how to obtain the order**
>
> Jagadish Reddy, a resident of Varthur Raising

The BBMP officials, in another case, are awaiting response form the Bengaluru East tahsildar's office in connection with the hearing of Congress leader NA Harris-owned Nalapad Academy at Challaghatta, to resume the drive.

After the demolition drive was halted to clear demolition debris in the aftermath of the drive and also to conduct another round of survey, BBMP on Saturday removed encroachments by demolishing a compound wall on stormwater drain at Belathur area in Mahadevapura Zone.

Jagadish Reddy from Varthur Raising said that since the BBMP has been sparing influential owners they have been accused of being selective about the properties where the demolition drive will be conducted. "It appears that the officials are not just delaying the drive to help the owners get a stay order, but are also suggesting how to approach the court and obtain the order," Reddy alleged.

Echoing him, Ashok Mrutyunjaya, president of AAP's Mahadevapura unit, said the BBMP officials have deliberately halted the drive to facilitate powerful owners obtain a stay order. "The drive is just an eyewash, and the bulldozers were in action only on the properties of poor and small-time encroachers," he said.

## Canara Bank introduces 5 digital banking units

Bengaluru : Canara Bank established five digital banking units (DBUs) in Devanahalli and Raichur, Karnataka - Virudhunagar, Tamil Nadu - Ernakulam, Kerala and Lakshadweep as a part of the country-wide inaugural of 75 DBUs by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday. The initiative was taken to boost India's digital economy marking 75 years of independence and was proposed in the 2022 budget to set DBUs in 75 different districts by scheduled commercial banks. BU is an identified Brick & Mortar area in the identified district hosted by the anchor bank wherein banking services are provided through digital modes/channels in a paperless, efficient, safe and secured environment. The services will be offered in two zones - self service and digital assistance desk and provide a variety of banking services like ATMs, instant account opening etc.

# Strengthen ward committees: Citizens

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

DURING a ceremony of the Bengaluru Ward Committee, which was held on Sunday, the citizens demanded that political parties bolster committees, which should be formed within three months of election.

The ceremony was held at the Government Arts College where more than 200 citizens and 76 registered Residents' Welfare Associations participated to share their experiences and insights about their ward committees.

Bengaluru Political Action Committee (BPAC), which organised the event, said that ward committees must be formed within 3 months of election, and they should be asked to monitor waste management, road maintenance, footpaths, streetlights, lakes as mandated by the KMC Act.

They suggested that the city budget must be drawn up with active participation of citizens.

Ward committee meetings must be chaired only by elected corporators, they said, adding that the process must be fair and transparent, and citizens must be encouraged to adopt sortition method instead of nomination by corporator.

BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath, who participated in the event, said, "I understand that citizens are frustrated with various civic issues, and the BBMP officials are also equally frustrated. But these frustrations should not stop us from taking positive action which can only happen if we work together," Girinath said.

The citizens should monitor waste management, and the welfare of pourakarmikas, street lights, and parks because they know if the amenities are being provided, he said.

Traffic snarls up on Sankey Road in Bengaluru on Sunday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

MAN OF SOCIETY

# *'Ananth Kumar dedicated his life to working for the country'*

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Kashmir Bhavan hall was named after late Union Minister HN Ananth Kumar on Sunday for his contributions to the society. The name plate was unveiled by his wife Tejaswini Ananth Kumar, who is a politician and social worker. She shared fond memories of her husband's work and vision towards society.

She recalled that when Ananth Kumar was 16, he had plunged into public life, and worked for the nation, adding that her husband was not a man of dreams, and becoming an MP was far from his thoughts. He just wanted to work for the country, and dedicated his entire life working for it, she said.

RK Mattoo, chairman, Kashmiri Hindu Cultural Welfare Trust, said that they became friends in early 90s, before Kumar came into power. His contributions towards building a good society and for the Kashmir Bhavan are enormous, he said, adding that the Bhavan helped preserve the Kashmiri culture in Bengaluru.

Talking about Kashmiri culture and his desire to study more about it as a child, professor KE Radhakrishna, one of Kumar's close acquaintances, said that unlike today's political system, he was not individualistic. They had functional differences but it was never ideological, he added.

Kashmir Bhavan's hall named after former Union minister late HN Ananth Kumar for his contributions to society | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

## *INDUSTRY COLLABORATIONS WILL HELP ECONOMY: JOSHI*

Bengaluru: Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs Pralhad Joshi on Sunday said industry collaborations with academia will ensure that India's economy will fare better than other countries in the future. At the Diamond Jubilee of M S Ramaiah Institute of Technology, he said India must strive to become the third or fourth largest economy by 2030 and the largest economy by 2047. "MSRIT's dedication to bring industries from different sectors is commendable. Forty-six industries have collaborated with the institute, which means students are getting practical education. This is important as there is a need for skilled individuals who have practical experience and this will also help boost the economy," he said. Higher Education Minister Dr Ashwath Narayan said, "Students must take advantage as there is a large number of vacancies due to lack of skilled talent in the state. Lack of skilled talent will soon be remedied by the NEP."

# Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

**17TH October: The current curious Mars-Neptune alignment brings the planet of action and energy into a difficult relationship with the planet of inspiration and good ideals. The result is actually a tendency towards serious muddle, but there is a solution, and that is to take very great care in all important, practical matters.**

**ARIES** (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
A decided dearth of interesting lunar alignments today means that you can take time off, so that if you do have a lot on your plate, then it's because you failed to say 'no' when you had the chance. It also indicates that the choice lies with you, and this is one of those times when you may make your own future.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21 - May 21)
It's a week for radical and romantic decisions, a time to be open about your ideas, and not to allow anyone to put you down. You may not be right in other people's eyes, but you know the truth when you see it. You'll only run into trouble when partners are equally convinced that they are correct!

**GEMINI** (May 22 - June 21)
There still seems to be a great deal to be said for keeping yourself to yourself. However, as the Moon reaches a dramatic relationship to your sign, you will be encouraged to spill the beans. If you have a weakness, then it's probably over-confidence.

**CANCER** (June 22 - July 23)
Venus, planet of love, inclines you to out-and-out romance, but Mercury, ruler of communication, means that what you'll really want out of friendships are shared interests and good conversation. Sheer passion may not be enough. But I think you knew that already!

**LEO** (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Some of your planets are careful, hard-working and cautious, while others are desperate to be dynamic, reckless, adventurous, optimistic and a touch excessive in all areas of life. As from now, you are to be plunged into a whirlwind of excitement - but slowly!

**VIRGO** (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Much has been said about your willingness to be walked over and exploited. The fact is that over the next few weeks, perhaps more than ever before, you will be called upon to put yourself out for others. If the stars offer you any advice then it is to help the people who deserve it, and steer clear of those who are ready to take advantage.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Whether at work or at home, it's not only a question of who you know, but how well you get on with them! Above all, you should see to it that a pleasant compromise is reached. You'll get your reward next week. In the meantime, take delight in any good fortune which alights on people close to you.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You'll have to deal with the week's domestic arrangements today, but on the deeper level, it's time to enhance and express your reputation as a healer of the spirit as well as of the body. And, as it happens, your financial stars are also looking fairly shrewd!

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
If you don't know what's going on today, and everything seems to be irrational and deeply suspicious, that's only to be expected! Spend a little time getting to the bottom of one particular mystery. You might even find that someone is being terribly reasonable, just for a change.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Other people are naturally sweet-tempered. If they're not, it may be because of something you've said or done, which means that the solution lies in your hands, even if it is now too late to get back to where you started! And if you can't turn the clock back then at least make sure that you don't make the same mistake again.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
You may devote more attention than normal to developing a co-operative family-like atmosphere at work, and if you're not gainfully employed, press ahead with ambitions to enhance your status in the community. And, at home, take control and try to set higher standards.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
You have a reputation for not liking hard work. That is a pity, because over the near future you may be busier than you've been for a very long time, but it will all be extremely worthwhile in the end. You can cut down on wasted effort by organising your time better.

Solutions to Saturday's puzzle ⬇

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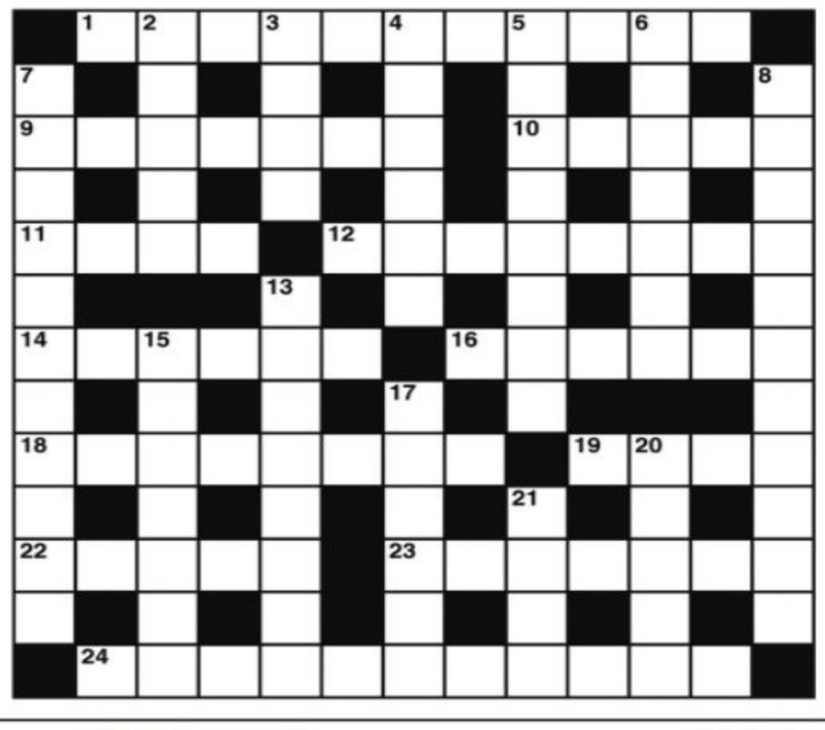

## CROSS WORD

**ACROSS**
1 A state of independence unique to Rome (7,4)
9 Three wise men not in line (7)
10 Part of a ship or dock (5)
11 Song that gave a false impression (4)
12 He gives us one final tune (8)
14 Chuck starts writing for openings (6)
16 Fighting dogs? (6)
18 A counterfeit piastre won't be heard when dropped (8)
19 Blonde and beautiful (4)
22 Question one how to cook a steak? (5)
23 Countryman is caught in a rainstorm (7)
24 Orders that singers are revised (11)

**DOWN**
2 Dispute right to enter complaint (5)
3 They are charged for half portions (4)
4 He attacked the Romans but turned tail at first (6)
5 They once made a bolt for it (8)
6 It's up to time in cultivation (7)
7 Pocket-money makes very little difference (5,6)
8 Ring for matches? (6,5)
13 It's not fair for one to use this (8)
15 Fix a quiet spot (7)
17 The horses in the racket (6)
20 A right outsider (5)
21 Found everyone playing (4)

**SATURDAY'S SOLUTIONS**

**Across:** 1 Auburn, 4 Estonian, 9 Pedant, 10 Doggerel, 12 Ruth, 13 Froth, 14 Dado, 17 Gravediggers, 20 Lost for words, 23 Toad, 24 Amend, 25 Scar, 28 Renegade, 29 Remote, 30 Honestly, 31 Prosit.

**Down:** 1 Amperage, 2 Bedstead, 3 Rung, 5 Sports ground, 6 Orgy, 7 Inroad, 8 Nelson, 11 Artist's model, 15 Get on, 16 Grown, 18 Precious, 19 Esurient, 21 Starch, 22 Cannon, 26 Eggs, 27 Hear.

## JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: VIGIL MONEY EXHALE SPLEEN
Answer: Jack Nicholson had some great roles. His acting in Kubrick's 1980 film is a — SHINING EXAMPLE

**Overspeeding sales rep killed in road mishap**

A 29-year-old sales representative died after he lost control of his bike and crashed into a tree in Laggere in Rajajinagar traffic police limits on Saturday night. The deceased is Gururaj, a resident of Housing Board Colony, who hailed from Hubballi. He was working as a sales representative with a private firm in Peenya second stage

# Foster daughter suspected of murdering septuagenarian

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

A 75-year-old woman was found murdered at her house in Sarjapura police station limits on the outskirts of the city. The police have raised suspicion on her foster daughter who she was living with.

The deceased Muniyamma is a resident of Kote Road and sold vegetables for a livelihood.

Police said Muniyamma was not on good terms with her children and she was living with her foster daughter Chandramma. Chandramma had got married a few years ago, but had deserted her husband and moved back with Muniyamma. However, Muniyamma was upset over this and was chiding Chandramma.

"The murder came to light on Saturday and Chandramma, who claimed that she was not home when the incident took place, said that she found her mother in a pool of blood upon returning home.

The injuries marks indicate that she was hit on the head with a stick and stabbed in the abdomen. No valuables have been stolen from the house. Chandramma has been picked up for questioning," the Sarjapur police said.

# Beware of fake docs giving high drug dosage

## Randeep asks officials to take action against such medical practitioners

NAMRATA SINDWANI @Bengaluru

CONCERNS over prescription of high dosage of drugs for minor ailments were raised by doctors, after health officials noticed instances of it in certain rural parts of Kolar.

Commissioner, Health and Family Welfare Services, D Randeep notified Kolar health officials that there was information of some 'fake doctors' in rural and border areas of the district prescribing high dosage of drugs even for small ailments, which was gaining popularity. Terming it dangerous to health, Randeep directed health officials to take immediate action against such doctors under the Karnataka Private Medical Establishments' Act, and submit follow-up reports to the department.

Doctors in Bengaluru raised concerns over similar instances in the city and its prevalence in other parts of the state as well. Dr Sylvia Karpagam, public health doctor and researcher, said she has treated many patients who showed symptoms of overdosage or were prescribed steroids for a prolonged period of time.

Sharing a recent incident, she said a female patient was diagnosed with 'Cushion Syndrome' as she was being treated by a doctor who put her on excessive steroids for 4-5 years. The patient had swelling, redness and bumps on her skin. Karpagam said doctors often go overboard with steroids, and that it's not advisable for Ayush doctors prescribing allopathic medicines, as both are completely different, and a six-month training course is not enough.

On usage of steroids, Dr Karpagam explained that they are emergency drugs and show immediate results, and their prolonged usage is not advisable. Even for Covid-infected patients, the ones diagnosed with black fungus had been on steroids.

Doctors said high usage of overdosed drugs can cause long-term bleeding into the skin, increased sugar levels, abnormal deposits of fat, weakened bones, high risk of fractures especially in women, and advised against their use unless necessary.

## MORE RAIN, KRS FULL

Over 40,000 cusecs of water was released from crest gates of KRS Dam, following heavy rain in the catchment areas on Sunday. The water level touched 124.58 feet, as against the maximum level of 124.8 feet | UDAYASHANKAR S

CRIME PATROL

### Man stabs wife to death, turns knife on self

BENGALURU: A man allegedly stabbed his wife to death and tried to end his own life by stabbing himself. The incident took place in Pillagunte Industrial Area near Hoskote. The deceased has been identified as Harshita (24), and her husband Ramesh is undergoing treatment in hospital. Police said that Ramesh and Harshita, who were in love, got married about six years ago and have two children. Suspecting infidelity, Ramesh fought with his wife frequently and Harshita had deserted him. However, she returned home about 10 days ago after he persuaded her. On Saturday evening, the couple had a fight and Ramesh stabbed her multiple times and later stabbed himself too. Both were rushed to hospital, however, Harshita succumbed to her injuries in the morning. Ramesh is recovering, and the police are yet to record his statement.

### Day after hubby's suicide, woman ends life

BENGALURU: A day after her husband took his own life, a 20-year-old woman committed suicide. The incident took place in Ramanagara district. The deceased have been identified as Shivaraju (26), an auto-rickshaw driver, and his wife Navya, who worked in a garment factory. Police said Shivaraju and Navya had married against their parents' wishes over a year ago. Shivaraju had borrowed a loan to purchase a rickshaw, but was unable to repay. As the rickshaw was seized, he was depressed and hanged himself at his house. "After his last rites, Navya went to her parents house in Aralimaradoddi, where she ended her life by hanging on Sunday morning," the police said.

# Compensate for excess charge, HDFC Bank told

YATHIRAJU @ Bengaluru

THE Bangalore Urban Second Additional District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission directed HDFC Bank to pay damages of Rs 50,000, with litigation cost of Rs 10,000 to the complainant for charging him 75 paise excess per Canadian Dollar, for transfer of money from Indian Rupee to his daughter who stayed in Canada, during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Noting that the complainant had clearly established deficiency of service on the part of the bank, the Commission comprising president M Shobha, members B Devaraju and V Anuradha, also directed the bank to refund Rs 10,200 with 10 per cent interest per annum to the complainant Arvind Kumar Bhorilal (76), a resident of Bharathinagar in Bengaluru.

The Commission said though the complainant immediately brought to the notice of the bank the excess amount collected, the bank did not cooperate. With great difficulty, the complainant recovered part of the excess amount but suffered mental torture and financial loss, the Commission added.

Bhorilal approached the bank in March 2020 to transfer money to his daughter. The bank informed him they would charge 30 paise over and above the conversion charges of the dollar towards commission, and sundry charges which worked out to Rs 54.05 per dollar. Considering the complainant's age and he being an account holder, the bank asked him to sign a blank document and a blank cheque, stating they would do the needful after confirmation from the branch concerned. Reposing absolute trust in the bank, the complainant did so and left. Bhorilal later received a text message that the bank had transferred the money to his daughter, but at the rate of Rs 54.80 per dollar, which is 75 paise in excess of the agreed amount and prevailing repo rate. After he confronted the bank about charging excess of Rs 59,500 unlawfully, the bank justified it, but later realised the error and credited Rs 44,300 to the complainant's account, still withholding a sum of Rs 10,000.


**KARNATAKA STATE POLICE**

*Online applications are invited for the post of Police Constable (Civil) (Men & Women) & (Transgender Men & Women) In-service & Backlog (KK-454) Posts & (NKK-1137) Posts Total-1591 posts.*

*Applications are open from 20.10.2022 to 21.11.2022*

*Note: Recruitment in the Police Department is totally transparent. Only Online fee prescribed by the department to be paid through Bank and Post Office. For further details, please visit https://ksp.karnataka.gov.in/ or https://ksp-recruitment.in/*

Sd/-
DGP, Recruitment

DIPR/CP/2617/Zenkar/2022-23

**Government of India**
**DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY**
**DIRECTORATE OF PURCHASE & STORES**

**ABRIDGED VERSION OF ADVERTISEMENT NO.1/DPS/2022**

Online applications are invited for the following Group 'C' posts from eligible candidates for filling up the vacancies in DPS, Mumbai and other Regional Units of DPS all over India :

| NAME OF THE POST | SC | ST | OBC | UR | EWS | TOTAL |
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| JUNIOR PURCHASE ASSISTANT/ JUNIOR STOREKEEPER - GROUP 'C' NON-GAZETTED | 23 | 0 | 12 | 13 | 22 | 70 |

(For complete details and to apply online please visit our website **https://dpsdae.formflix.in** OR **www.dpsdae.gov.in**. Online application only will be accepted). The link will be available from **20.10.2022 (00:00 hours) to 10.11.2022 (24:00 hours)**

**Administrative Officer - III**

**Government of India**
**Ministry of Education**
**National Institutional Ranking Framework**

**INDIA RANKINGS 2023**

The National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) was launched in 2015 to rank higher educational institutions in the country based on objective criteria to promote competitive excellence in the higher educational institutions. NIRF now invites applications for India Rankings 2023, the Eighth edition of this annual exercise.

NIRF has introduced a new category namely Agriculture & Allied Sectors. Institutions willing to participate may register under Agriculture & Allied Sectors.

All the institutions which have participated in the previous India Rankings exercise have been pre-registered. A mail in this regard has already been sent to the Heads of the respective institutions to confirm institution details for India Rankings 2023.

In case, your institution is not pre-registered in the above manner, and wishes to participate in India Rankings 2023, you are requested to visit our website i.e. **www.nirfindia.org** and register your institution by clicking the registration button. In case of any query, contact National Board of Accreditation at **helpdesk@nirfindia.org** or call at 011-40159583/87/89.

**The registration will open from 17th October 2022.**

CBC 21315/12/0001/2223

**Member Secretary**

**POSSESSION NOTICE**

Whereas, the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** (Formerly known as Janalakshmi Financial Services Limited)., under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued **demand notices** to the borrower(s)/ Co-borrower(s) calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned against the respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices, along with future interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and/ or realisation.

| Sr. No. | Loan No. | Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor | 13(2) Notice Date/ Outstanding Due (in Rs.) as on | Date/ Time & Type of Possession |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 47519630000102 | 1) Mrs. Narasamma, 2) Mr. Shivaprasad.P., 3) Mr. Pujappa.G | 09-07-2022 Rs.5,02,069.7 as on 07-07-2022 | 12.10.2022 12.25 p.m. Symbolic Possession |
| | **Description of the Property:** All the Peace and Parcel of the Property bearing Site No.2, BBMP Katha No.199/264/2, Sl.No.199, Measuring 46 X 40 Feet in Total measuring 1840 Sq.ft, Situated at Doddakanneli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Ward No.150, Bellandur, and **Bounded as on: East by:** House belong to Annamma, W/o. Narasimhaiah, **West by:** House belongs to Anithamma, **North by:** House belongs to Narayanaswamy, **South by:** Road. | | | |
| 2 | 45348950001774 | 1) B. S. Electrical Shop, 2) Mohammed Zabiulla S, 3) Ayesha Bano M | 17-06-2022 Rs.4,26,862.17 as on 12-06-2022 | 12.10.2022 02.30 p.m. Symbolic Possession |
| | **Description of the Property:** All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.2, situated at B.T.S Main Road, Chinnaiaynapalya, Wilson Garden, Bangalore presently coming under the jurisdiction of the BBMP, and having been assigned PID No.62-54-2/3, Ward No.62, (Homebegowdanagar), comprising of a building comprising of GF (with three shops), First floor with two Residential units, second floor (with two residential units third floor with vacant terrace area, in the site measuring) East to West: 40 Feet and North to South: 30 Feet **Schedule-C Property:** All that piece and parcel of the one shop located on the Western site next to the shop settled in favour of the Second Party Mohammed Nasrulla in the Ground Floor measuring East to West: 30 Feet and North to South: 11.6 Feet, one Residential unit in the First Floor also located above the above the shop unit, also measuring East to West: 30 Feet and North to South: 11.6 Feet and Eastern ½ portion in the Third Floor in the schedule Property and the same is **Bounded on the: East by:** Staircase leading to the upper floors from the ground floor of the same property, **West by:** Private Property, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Private Property. | | | |
| 3 | 31839670000010 | 1) Shanthamma N, 2) Manjunath Kumar N | 05-07-2022 Rs.1,01,492.00 as on 03-07-2022 | 12.10.2022 04.35 p.m. Symbolic Possession |
| | **Description of the Property:** All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.491, presently under BBMP Ward No.196, formed in Kothnur Village Hakku Patra, Survey No.156, situated at Kothnur Village, now Harinagar, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk with all buildings and structures thereon and all plant and machinery attached to the earth or permanently fastened to anything attached to the earth, both present and future and **Bounded on: East by:** Vacant Place, **West by:** Private Property, **South by:** Private Property, **North by:** Road. | | | |
| 4 | 32999670000030 & 32999670000129 | 1) M/s. Sri Vinayaka Enterprises, 2) Mr. Srinivas.L., 3) Mrs. Dakshayani .P | 20-07-2022 Rs.1,21,083.00 & Rs.45,509.00 as on 18-07-2022 | 13.10.2022 02.50 p.m. Symbolic Possession |
| | **Description of the Property:** All the peace and parcel of the Vacant Site Bearing No.18, Assessment No.41, Situated at Hunnigere Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, and **Bounded on: East by:** Site No.15, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Site No.19, **South by:** Site No.17. Measuring East to West 40 Feet and North to South 30 feet, total measuring 1200 square Feet. | | | |

Whereas, the Borrower's/ Co-borrowers'/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby is given to the Borrower's mentioned herein above in particular and to the Public in general that the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the properties/ secured assets described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned above. The Borrower's/ Co-borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid properties/ Secured Assets and any dealings with the said properties/ Secured Assets will be subject to the charge of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited.**

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| **Place: Bangalore** | **Sd/- Authorised Officer** |
| **Date: 15.10.2022** | **For. Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** |

**JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK**
(A scheduled commercial bank)

**Registered Office:** The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore -560071.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

TAKE NOTICE that we Suraj R. Manjeshwar and Uday Shankar R.M. both sons of Late Sri G. Rajaram Rao and Late Smt. Indira Manjeshwar, residing at No.C-3/246, 3rd Main, BDA Layout, Domluru II Stage, III Phase, Bangalore-71, being the joint owners of the property after the death of their mother Smt. Indira Manjeshwar on 27.03.2022, in whose name the Property was registered, more particularly described in Part A of the Schedule hereunder ("said property") and are in possession thereof and that certain original documents more particularly listed out in Part B of Schedule hereunder relating to the said property have been misplaced/lost and the same are not traceable despite best efforts. A report in this regard has already been lodged with Bangalore City Police, Vide Lost Report No.0344750/2022, dated 27.09.2022.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any persons dealing on the basis of aforesaid lost documents shall be doing so at their own risk, costs and consequences and we shall not be responsible for the same. Further, anybody finding all or any of these document(s), may kindly contact the undersigned at the address given in this Notice, immediately.

**SCHEDULE PART -A:**

All that piece and parcel of land with building being BDA MIG Row House bearing No.C3/246, situated at Domlur II Stage, III Phase, Bangalore, measuring East to West 4.50 Mtrs; and North to South 17.40 Mtrs; having an area of 78.30 Sq. Mtrs, along with a building measuring 90.45 Sq. Mtrs; and bounded by:

East by : House No.245 West by : House No.247
North by : Road South by : Conservancy

**PART -B:**

A) Original Lease cum Sale Agreement dated 1.04.1987, executed by BDA in favour of Smt. Kamala Prema, wife of Late Sri A. Venugopal, registered as Doc. No.278 /1987-88, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Shivajinagar, Bangalore.

B) Original Possession Certificate dated 30.04.1987, bearing Ref. No.197, issued by the Bangalore Development Authority, Bangalore to the name of Smt. Kamala Prema, wife of Late Sri A. Venugopal.

C) Original Agreement of Sale dated 12.12.1993, executed by Smt. Kamala Prema, in favour of Sri G. Rajaram Rao,

D) Original Registered General Power of Attorney dated 13.12.1993, executed by Smt. Kamala Prema, in favour of Sri G. Rajaram Rao, Registered as Doc. No.758/93-94, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Shivajinagar, Bangalore.

**Suraj R. Manjeshwar.**, Advocate
No.11, 17-F Cross, 1st Floor (Above Exide Show room) Indiranagar
2nd Stage, Bangalore-560038. Ph-9845005591.

**TAMIL NADU CIVIL SUPPLIES CORPORATION**
HEAD OFFICE : 12, THAMBUSAMY ROAD, KILPAUK, CHENNAI - 600010
Ph. No. (044) 26426773 Email id : tncsc.tn@nic.in CIN : U15137TN1972SGC006157

No : BS6/030585/2022 **SHORT E - TENDER NOTICE** Dated : 15.10.2022

**Short E - Tender No : TNCSC/22-23/ET-36**

Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation invites Online electronic tender for the **"purchase of 20,000 Metric Tonnes of any one of dal namely Tur dal (Split – Husked & Fatka) [Indigenous]/ Lentil locally known as Canadian Yellow Lentil (Split– Husked & Laired No.2) / Lentil locally known as Canadian Yellow Lentil (Whole – Husked & Laired No.2) as per Agmark specification"**

Complete short e-tender document can be viewed and downloaded through **https://www.mstcecommerce.com/eprochome/tncsc** and also available in **www.tenders.tn.gov.in**

The bidders have to participate online bidding only with Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) of Class-II or Class-III

For Registration and further details contact **MSTC LIMITED**, Phone: 25222842/25251910/25261005 e-Mail: **mstcsro@mstcindia.co.in**

Last Date and Time for Online Submission: **Upto 11.00 A.M. on 25.10.2022**

DIPR/ 4610 /TENDER/2022 **MANAGING DIRECTOR**

" சோதனை கடந்து சுதந்திரம் அடைந்தோம் சாதனை புரிந்து சரித்திரம் படைப்போம் "

**HUBLI ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED**
**(Wholly Owned Govt. of Karnataka Undertaking)**
**Chief Engineer (Ele.) Belagavi Zone, Office**
**Nehru Nagar, Belagavi-590 010**
**Tel : 0831-2950578 E-Mail : ceebgm.hescom@gmail.com**
**Corporate Identity Number**(CIN): **U31401KA2002SGC030437**
No: BGM/CEE/SEE(O)/AEE-1/2022-23/3412-16 Date : 11-10-2022

**Short Term Tender Notification**

Chief Engineer Elcty, Belagavi Zone, HESCOM, Belagavi invites tenders in two parts, viz part-I: Techno commercial Bid, Part-II Price bid for

1. Shifting of 11 KV lines at 110 kV Halllur Station in O & M Division, HESCOM, Ghataprabha on Total Turn Key Basis.

The tender will be received through 'E-Procurement Portal' only. The detailed notification regarding subject enquiry in the E-Procurement Portal can be obtained by logging on to **www.eproc.karnataka.govt.in**. Further details can be obtained from this office contact No. **0831-2950578** during office hours.

**Sd/- Chief Engineer, Elcty., O&M Zone, HESCOM, Belagavi**

DIPR/DWD/MCA/665/2022-23

**Karnataka Urban Infrastructure Development and Finance Corporation Limited (KUIDFC)**
**(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)**
Nagarabhivruddi Bhavan, # 22, 17th 'F'Cross, Old Madras Road, Indiranagar 2nd Stage, Near BMTC Bus Depot, Bengaluru-560 038
**Website:** www.kuidfc.com **e-Mail:** info@kuidfc.com
No.KUIDFC/ADMN/AM-A1/HIRING OF VEH/CR-254/2022-23 DATED.15.10.2022

**E-TENDER NOTIFICATION**

KUIDFCL, Bengaluru invites tenders for Hiring of Light Commercial Passenger Vehicles (Yellow board) to KUIDFC, Bengaluru on monthly basis for a period of 2 years. The tender document will be available on e-Procurement portal of GoK **(i.e.,https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in)** from **17.10.2022 to 16.11.2022 up to 17.30 hrs.** The tenderers can view, download & upload the proposals only through e-Procurement portal. For any further notification please refer e-Procurement portal.

**Sd/- Joint Managing Director**

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ROBERT H SCHULLER

**REPCO HOME FINANCE LIMITED**
**CORPORATE OFFICE:** Alexander Square, 3rd Floor, No.2 (Old No. 34 & 35), Sardar Patel Road, Guindy, Chennai - 600032. Phone No.044-42106650; Fax: 044-42106651

**DEMAND NOTICE**

**Sl.No.1:- (Bangalore Branch) - Borrower: C. Lakshmi,** W/o. Narasimhaiah, No.5, Vishwathi Nagar (Sannakki Bayalu), Kamakshipalya, Bangalore - 560079. **Co-Borrower - I: M. Narasimhaiah,** S/o. Motaiah, No.5, Vishwathi Nagar (Sannakki Bayalu), Kamakshipalya, Bangalore - 560079. **Co-Borrower - II: N. Nagesh,** S/o. Narasimhappa, No.51, Vishwati Nagar H Cross, Bismillah Nagar, Bangalore - 560029. **Guarantor - I: C. Shivalingaiah,** S/o. Chawaidah, No.2, Model House 82nd Cross, K.S. Layout, Bangalore - 560078. **Guarantor - II: R. Bylappa,** S/o. Ramiah, No.116, 10/A Main, Manjunath Nagar, WOC Road, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560058.

**Demand Notice Dated: 17.08.2022, Loan A/C No.1121860102625, Sanction Date: 14-10-2003, Type of Loan: Construction of House/ Flat, Sanction Amount: Rs.8,00,000/-, NPA Dated: 01.05.2022, Loan Outstanding Amount of Rs.6,19,658/-** with further interest from **16-08-2022** onwards and other costs thereon.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY**

All that part and parcel of Property Bearing Site No.60, Khata No.123, Assessment No.53/1, situated at Laggere Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore is bounded by:- North - Site No.61, South - Site No.59, East - Site No.49, West - Road. Measurement:- East to West - 40 feet, North to South - 30 feet, total measuring an extent of 1,200 Sq.ft.

**Sl.No.2:- (Yelahanka Branch) - Borrower: Mr. M. Maruthi,** S/o. Mangala Anjanappa, MNR Hair Dressers, No.2, Muneshwara Complex, SSA Road, Near Cholanaya Kanahalli, R.T. Nagar Post, Bengaluru - 560032. **Also at:** No.8, Ground Floor, Cholanaya Kanahalli, R.T. Nagar Post, Bengaluru - 560032. **Also at: M/s. KNP Digital Studio,** No.20, Shampura Main Road, R.T. Nagar, Bengaluru - 560032. **Co-Borrower: Mrs. M. Varalakshmi,** W/o. M. Maruthi, MNR Hair Dressers, No.2, Muneshwara Complex, SSA Road, Near Cholanaya Kanahalli, R.T. Nagar Post, Bengaluru - 560032. **Also at:** No.8, Ground Floor, Cholanaya Kanahalli, R.T. Nagar Post, Bengaluru - 560032. **Guarantor: B. Vijayakumar,** S/o. Venkata Ramana Bajantri, No.159, 11th Main Road, 4th Block, Nandini Layout, Bengaluru - 560096.

**Demand Notice Dated: 17.08.2022, Loan A/C No.1341890003126, Sanction Date: 31-01-2020, Type of Loan: Plot Loans, Sanction Amount: Rs.25,00,000/-, NPA Dated: 30.01.2022, Loan Outstanding Amount of Rs.24,36,058/-** with further interest from **16-08-2022** onwards and other costs thereon.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of Residential Property Site Bearing No.41, formed in converted Survey No.92/2, vide its order No.B.DIS.ALN, SR(SA)67/1995-96, dated 24.11.1995, Khatha No.1013, situated at Rachenahalli Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now comes under BBMP limits Bangalore, is bounded by:- East - Site No.34, West - Road, North - Site No.42, South - Site No.40. Measurement:- East to West - 40 feet, North to South - 30 feet, Totally measuring - 1,200 Sq.ft.

**Sl.No.3:- (Yelahanka Branch) - Borrower: Mr. V. Nagaraj,** S/o. Venkataramanappa, No.1, Janatha Colony Sorahunase, Muthsandra Main Road, Near Janatha Colony Bus Stop, Behind MSIL Outlet Varathur Post, Bangalore - 560087. **Also at:** Flat No.17/3, Sorahunase Grama, Varthuru Hobli, East Taluk, Bangalore. **Also at: M/s. SLV Enterprises,** No.17 /1 Madhura Nagara, Main Road, Varathur, Bangalore - 560087. **Co-Borrower: Mrs. K. Suguna,** W/o. Mr. V. Nagaraj, No.1, Janatha Colony Sorahunase, Muthsandra Main Road, Near Janatha Colony Bus Stop, Behind MSIL Outlet Varathur Post, Bangalore - 560087. **Also at:** Flat No.17/3, Sorahunase Grama, Varthuru Hobli, East Taluk, Bangalore. **Guarantor: Mrs. M. Jamuna,** W/o. Late. Manjunath, No.68/3 Ramanagara, Near Mother Terasa School, Garibahavi Palya, Hongasandra, Banglore - 560068.

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All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property Bearing No.17/3, Khatha S1.No.3669 formed in Survey No.17/3, Old Survey No.17/1 Measuring 0.02 Guntas. i.e., East to West - 29 feet and North to South - 75.1 Feet Totally Measuring - 2,178 Sq.feet, presently within the Limit of Mahadevapura, BBMP Bangalore, situated at Sorahunase Grama, Varthuru Hobli, East Taluk, Banglore. Boundaries:- North - Property belong to Sri. Sathish, South - Remaining portion of same Property, East - 20 feet Wide Road, West - Property belong to Sri. Narayana Shetty.

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**Date: 17-08-2022**

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QuoteExpress **IF YOU'RE GOING THROUGH HELL, KEEP GOING** › WINSTON CHURCHILL

KPCC President D K Shivakumar has said the Congress will take up a bus yatra to all 224 constituencies of Karnataka in order to 'awaken the sleeping state government'. Shivakumar added that Congress leaders, including Siddaramaiah, will visit all parts of Karnataka to achieve its goal to win 150 seats in the Assembly elections

# Contest with Tharoor a friendly fight within Cong family: Kharge

## Says as president, won't shy away from taking Gandhis' advice in interest of party

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Bengaluru

SENIOR Congress leader and AICC presidential hopeful M Mallikarjun Kharge felt that the election is likely to be a friendly fight within the Congress family, and hence, he will never step into a controversy by reacting to his opponent Shashi Tharoor's remarks that PCC leaders in some states did not cooperate with him during his campaign.

The veteran leader and staunch loyalist of the Gandhi family was addressing reporters on the eve of the polls, slated to be held on Monday, across the country, saying, "The delegates contacted me and my election managers organised meetings. Can I tell them to go to 'X' or 'Y'? This is our organisation, our house and he (Tharoor) also has the right to speak out. But I am a grassroots party worker."

He reminisced on how he grew from a primary member of the party, to be contesting the AICC presidential polls today. He put forth a chronology of the struggle he claimed to have gone through since childhood, winning the students' union polls, becoming a labour leader, and being part of a mega rally that the Congress had organised for the then PM Indira Gandhi in 1970.

AICC presidential candidate M Mallikarjun Kharge addresses a press meet at the KPCC office in Bengaluru on Sunday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Meanwhile, he also stated that Sonia Gandhi is experienced about the party's functioning, having run it for over two decades, Kharge said he will certainly not shy away from taking the Gandhi family's advice in the interest of strengthening the party, which he claimed was his priority.

"She knows how to unite the party. I believe in collective leadership and consultation," he clarified.

He also alleged that the BJP has no issues raising the Gandhi family's name, despite the fact that the latter, including first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, contributed immensely.

"Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi sacrificed their lives. When the party had the mandate, did Sonia or Rahul try to acquire the top post? Instead, they made economist Manmohan Singh the PM and did a lot to uplift the poor through various programmes, including Right to Food, Education, and MNREGA," he pointed out.

Kharge claimed that under Rahul's leadership as AICC president, the party had won 6-7 states.

"But the BJP toppled governments by misusing statutory institutions. The party booked false cases against those who resisted it, but when the same joined its fold, the BJP absolved them of all charges," he alleged.

Meanwhile, Kharge expressed confidence that the Congress delegates will back him, and he will win the AICC presidential polls comfortably.

### Will support K'taka's son Kharge: Reddy

Vijayapura: Commenting on the AICC presidential polls, MLA Ramalinga Reddy asserted: "Since senior leader and Rajya Sabha MP Mallikarjun Kharge hails from Karnataka, state leaders have unanimously decided to support him in the polls." He reiterated, "The party veterans Kharge and Shashi Tharoor are fighting for the AICC president's post. Our choice will be Kharge, as he belongs to our state," asserting that the high command is optimistic. **ENS**

### Changes likely in IYC

Bengaluru: With Mallikarjun Kharge likely to get elected as the AICC president, there are talks about changing the Indian Youth Congress (IYC) president too. The incumbent B V Srinivas, who has completed three years, may be replaced by a Congress leader from North India. It may happen after the Bharat Jodo Yatra, and Rahul Gandhi may pick one of the yatris who have been walking with him, as he or she may have a better understanding of the country, sources said. **ENS**

**RAHUL TO VOTE FOR AICC POLLS EN ROUTE**

Bengaluru: Congress leader Jairam Ramesh informed that Rahul Gandhi, who is on the Bharat Jodo Yatra, will vote for the AICC presidential polls at a booth set up at the yatra's campsite in Sanganakallu near Ballari. "There've been queries on where @RahulGandhi will cast his vote tomorrow for the Congress Presidential election. There should be no speculation. He will be voting at the #BharatJodoYatra campsite in Sanganakallu, Ballari along with around 40 other Bharat Yatris who are PCC delegates," he tweeted. **ENS**

# Yatras raise the political temperature in Karnataka

THE political temperature in Karnataka is rising by the day. Though the 2023 Assembly polls might be around six months away, all parties have already started their campaign aggressively to get a head-start and win the perception battle. It looks as if the election season has already started and campaigning is peaking a little early.

Rahul Gandhi's "Bharat Jodo yatra", which is in the last phase of its Karnataka leg, has charged up the political atmosphere. To revive the grand old party's mass appeal that has been on the wane, the former AICC president made his party leaders walk and even sprint. It appears that the purpose of the yatra is not to seek votes, but to galvanise the cadre, forge unity among the leaders and make the organisation vibrant. As the yatra, which critics term a massive PR exercise to project Rahul Gandhi's image, traversed through the state, it received an enthusing response from party workers.

All along the route, Rahul Gandhi tried to connect with people and also send out a message that the party is one cohesive unit in the state with leaders complementing each others' strengths to ensure victory in the 2023 polls. But whether Rahul's charm offensive has worked will be known only at the time of ticket distribution. That is when different factions and leaders, especially those nurturing chief ministerial ambitions, are likely to assert themselves to get tickets for their camp followers. A lot depends on how the state leaders keep up the momentum after Rahul and his armada pass the state borders.

For now, facing polls unitedly appears to be a big challenge for Congress as it prepares the ground for a big battle to take on BJP's well-oiled election fighting machinery.

On its part, the BJP which appeared to be on the back-foot for a while due to a flurry of allegations against the government is now going full throttle to outgun the opposition. Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and former CM BS Yediyurappa have launched their state tour together firing on all cylinders. The party's "Sankalp Yatra" that crisscrosses Assembly segments across the state will go on till year-end.

Two top Lingayat leaders – Bommai and Yediyurappa -- going together on the state tour is significant. Perhaps, the party is not taking any chances in terms of reconsolidating its support base in the dominant Lingayat community. The community backed Yediyurappa in the last few years and the BJP may be concerned that if the former CM is allowed to travel alone, he may turn out to be a rallying point overshadowing all other leaders. That may not bode well with the high command's announcement on fighting the polls under Bommai's leadership. Getting full support from the Lingayat community will be crucial for the BJP. The party has not made much inroads into the Vokkaliga-dominated Old Mysuru region.

The BJP will also be making most of the government's decision to increase the reservation for the Scheduled Castes (SC) from 15 per cent to 17 per cent and the Scheduled Tribes (ST) from 3 per cent to 7 per cent. While it may take time to implement the decision, the announcement has boosted the party's image among the community and added strength to its leaders like Minister B Sriramulu who had played a crucial role in getting the support of the ST community in central and northern parts of Karnataka.

If the aggression in the BJP camp is anything to go by, the party is making all efforts to scuttle opposition's attempts to set the narrative around corruption, even as it presents its report card to seek votes.

However, the focus seems to be more on retaliating and rebutting Congress, instead of broadening its canvas and making Congress-bashing a part of its larger strategy. It should cast its net wider, and rallies addressed by the party's two top leaders shouldn't be just limited to criticising former CM Siddaramaiah, though that may help blunt the opposition attack to an extent.

While leaders from the two national parties continue to spar over corruption and other issues, the regional party Janata Dal (Secular) is gearing up to start its "Pancharatna" yatra on November 1. It will cover 125 constituencies in 100 days. As the 2023 polls are crucial for the JDS, former CM HD Kumaraswamy is keen on joining hands with Telangana CM K Chandrashekar Rao's newly launched Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) to win some seats in the areas bordering Kalyana-Karnataka. Currently, most of the JDS seats come from the Old Mysuru region and its performance in the Vokkaliga heartland will be a cause of concern for Congress.

Going by the tone and tenor of the current political discourse, it looks like the election campaign will be more caustic in the coming months.

# VHP: Converts can't claim right to quota

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru:

"SCHEDULED Castes are persons who have historically been deprived on the basis of their castes, while the Abrahamic religions claim to have no caste distinction among them. Therefore, SC reservation cannot be extended to them," Vishwa Hindu Parishad working president Alok Kumar said here on Sunday.

"Vishwa Hindu Parishad will undertake a public awareness campaign across the country to expose the conspiracy of providing reservation to Scheduled Caste converts and the same available to Scheduled Tribe converts must be stopped forthwith," he said. He said the Centrs has appointed a commission under the chairmanship of former Chief Justice of India K G Balakrishnan, with terms of reference to examine the matter of according Schedule Caste status to converted Schedule Castes and its implications for existing Schedule Castes. VHP will participate in the consultation process to assist the commission in arriving at appropriate findings, he said.

"We won't allow snatching of constitutional rights of SCs. Converted STs should also not be allowed to continue with right of reservation guaranteed under the law to STs," he asserted.

# *New interim seer to head Murugha Mutt*

DAVANAGERE/CHITRADURGA: **Basavaprabhu Swami** of Viraktha Mutt, Davanagere, has been appointed the new interim head of the Murugha Mutt. An order in this regard has been given by the pointiff Dr Shivamurthy Murugha Sharanaru, who is behind bars in a POCSO case. A press release made by the mutt, said, "As per the directions of the Karnataka High Court, there is need to conduct day-to-day religious and social service, and puja as per tradition." "Dr Shivamurthy Murugha Sharanaru on Saturday has signed a letter accepting Basavaprabhu Swami as the interim head of the mutt to conduct day-to-day activities," it added. Basavaprabhu Swami has undertaken all the services of the mutt, except SJM Vidyapeeta, from Sunday itself. **ENS**

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai offers puja as part of Sri Male Mahadeshwara Kumbh Mela at Triveni Sangama in KR Pet on Sunday | UDAYASHANKAR S

# Yogi gives Kumbh a miss, CM brings curtains down

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mysuru

CHIEF Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Sunday attended the Sri Male Mahadeshwara Maha Kumbh Mela 2022 in the Mandya district. With his arrival from Bengaluru by air being delayed, he subsequently skipped a holy bath in the river, preferring to only offer bagina to the river, and later inaugurating the newly renovated Male Mahadeshwara Temple.

Later, addressing a gathering, the CM took on a philosophical tone, stating, "Our life should be like a flowing river. We have to flow on a righteous path. With the path of bhakti, we can attain mukti. When there was an attack on Hinduism, Adi Shankaracharya revived the dharma by traveling from South to North India. No other country in the world is rich and diverse like India. We believe in the concept that all religions are equal."

Meanwhile, hundreds of devotees took a holy dip at the Triveni Sangama, the confluence of rivers Cauvery, Hemavathi and Lakshmana Theertha, at Ambigarahalli in KR Pet taluk on the last day of the Kumbh Mela on Sunday.

The mela, which was organised by the Mandya district administration on the lines of the Kumbha Mela held at Varanasi on October 13-16, witnessed sadhus, seers and devotees from all parts of the state.

The district authorities had made elaborate arrangements for the visit of Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath for the valedictory function, but his visit was cancelled owing to technical reasons.

Meanwhile, the CM announced that he will release a government order to celebrate the Maha Kumbh Mela at Triveni Sangama in KR Pet once in 12 years.

### ₹10 lakh compensation to rape, murder victim's family

Speaking on the incident of the minor girl from Malavalli taluk, who had been raped and murdered by a tutor, Bommai said the government will ensure stringent action against the accused. "The accused must get stringent punishment. There should be fear among people before committing such offences," he said, announcing Rs 10 lakh compensation to the victim's family.

# For Rahul, Yatra is an image changer

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

THE roadshow is often considered the path to success. Political travellers, right from 'Young Turk' Chandrashekhar to NT Rama Rao in his Chaitanya Ratham to LK Advani in his Rath Yatra, Y S Rajashekara Reddy on a padayatra in 2003 and Siddaramaiah trekking to Ballari in 2013, have gained bountiful dividends.

For Congress leader **Rahul Gandhi**, who clocked 1000km on his Bharat Jodo Yatra and addressed a mammoth gathering at Ballari, the walkathon could be both a political and personal gamechanger. Political watchers say that Rahul appears to have come into his own as a leader, and the Yatra is succeeding in erasing the image of a young, part-time politician without serious commitment.

When Rahul started the Yatra, he was often derisively addressed as 'Pappu'. Rahul had even referred to this moniker while addressing Parliament -- it was synonymous with the image of a dynastic scion who lacked leadership skills, and who chose to flee to foreign climes at every opportunity. It was an image crafted by opposition leaders – former C0ngressman and Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sharma had termed Rahul "half-hearted and reluctant". There was also a slew of unflattering memes and jibes on social media.

In fact, when the Yatra started, it was dismissed as a publicity gimmick. Former Supreme Court judge Justice Markandeya Katju commented that it was "a mere stunt", evoking a sharp public reaction, with respondents strongly disagreeing and returning some witty responses.

The Yatra may serve to change the image of a reluctant politician who is uncomfortable with the masses, who lacks in political stamina and leaves suddenly for unknown destinations, who is wary of senior leaders and is confined to a coterie, say experts. Political commentator B S Murthy said, "By the time Rahul Gandhi completes the Bharat Jodo Yatra, he will be seen as the sole alternative to the Modi government in the run-up to 2024. Rural India loves the 'salt of the earth' kind of politician who connects directly with them."

While the answer to whether RaGa will reap political dividends is distant, it may be difficult to revive the image of 'Pappu' and make it acceptable to the masses, say pundits. Rahul is showing that he can be a doughty fighter who wants to recover lost ground for the party.

According to brand guru Harish Bijoor, "People like to see their leaders get off the television set and walk into their lives, literally. The padayatra achieves this objective. People like to see their leaders work hard. If they see them working hard, they scent hunger. And the common man likes to back hungry politicians! Rahul Gandhi, for the first time, is demonstrating latent hunger through this yatra."

**When people ask me about my ideology, I tell them that I have been fighting so that our democracy sustains, multiculturalism flourishes and the ethos of our constitutionalism is protected**

Kanhaiya Kumar, Congress leader

**Differences of opinions are common in the party, but there is unity in the party. BS Yediyurappa is the tallest leader of the state and he is actively participating in the BJP meetings in the state**

Arun Singh, BJP gen secy

# Hate-based politics not helping country: Kanhaiya

AMIT S UPADHYE @Ballari

"THERE is anger and frustration among people and they want some positive changes in their life. This cycle of hate-based politics is not helping us," said Congress leader Kanhaiya Kumar.

He told *TNIE* that the problem is not about dividing Indians, but about diverting their attention from real problems. Those in power have been dividing people on the basis of their ideology. "Though geographically the country is one, those in power have pitted people against each other, while glossing over real issues. For 200 vacancies, over 35 lakh applications have been received. It shows the rate of unemployment which is the highest in 35 years," he said.

"The government is spending Rs 20,000 crore on villas and Rs 8,000 crore on a jet, but does not have money for people's welfare. At the same time, salaries of MPs and those in power keep going up. They are taking money from us and giving it to their friends. To protect this loot, they are promoting hate-based politics. When people are busy with such politics, nobody will ask anything," he said.

On the ongoing Bharat Jodo Yatra, he said Congress, being the main opposition party, should stand with masses in these difficult times. "Some think that Rahul is trying to build his career with this walk. It is wrong. The yatra is about the career of youth of India. When the Yatra began in Tamil Nadu, it was said that the South was a Congress-friendly region. But we were curious to see how it would be received in Karnataka. The support here has been overwhelming," he added.

Congress leader Kanhaiya Kumar interacts with children near Moka in Ballari district on Sunday | D HEMANTH

On his plans in politics, he said he has stopped responding to questions posed to create unrest. "When people ask me about my ideology, I tell them that I have been fighting so that our democracy sustains, multiculturalism flourishes and the ethos of our constitutionalism is protected," he added.

# 'Land costs a bomb in state'

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HD Kumaraswamy added, "I have also heard that some dubious characters have informed interested businessmen about the 'good prospects' of investing in Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh. Does it not work against the interests of our state?''

Tamil Nadu is aggressively pushing for industries in Dharmapuri-Krishnagiri area, where land is available for Rs 25 lakh per acre, while it costs a bomb here though the Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB), Kumaraswamy added.

# *'Yatra nothing but morning walk for Rahul'*

BELAGAVI: The Bharat Jodo Yatra of the Congress is nothing but a morning walk for Rahul Gandhi, remarked BJP National General Secretary and Karnataka in-charge **Arun Singh** on Sunday. "Over the last 13 days, Rahul Gandhi did not try to understand the culture, resources, and problems of Karnataka, but spent his days blaming the government. It is not at all a 'Jodo Yatra'," alleged Singh. Speaking at a press conference on Sunday, he said, "Everyone in the country learnt about the differences between DK Shivkumar and Siddaramaiah through their yatra," and added that the BJP is organising a 'Sankalp Sabha' at all places, which is getting good response. "We are on a winning streak, as already we have won elections in Goa, UP, Uttarakhand, and are now confident of winning Himachal Pradesh and Gujarat as well. People are happy with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's work," he mentioned. Earlier, Arun Singh conducted a confidential meeting with former minister and Gokak MLA Ramesh Jarkiholi. **ENS**

India could not manufacture PPE suits in 70 years of Independence, but became the second largest exporter of PPE kits during the lockdown, Union Minister for Women and Child Development Smriti Irani said in Coimbatore on Sunday

# KARNATAKA AND THE NUTRITION BOMB

TEAM TNIE

PROPER nutrition among children is the harbinger of progress in the state. When children grow up with the right kind of nutrition from very early stages of childhood, it paves the path for healthy sustained growth with high levels of immunity. It validates the understanding that good health leads to a good, active mind and body.

However, the Arogya Nandana campaign conducted across Karnataka — primarily to identify children with comorbidities and provide nutrition to improve their immunity in the face of the pandemic — found that among 53,82,106 children who were screened, 1,15,660 were diagnosed with illness. There are a total of 1.5 crore children in the state.

The children were screened for Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM), Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM), diabetes, chronic kidney failure, chronic lung disease, chronic liver disease, blood disorders and cancer.

Up to 1,12,389 children were found to be malnourished. While 7,259 children suffered from SAM, 1,04,790 children suffered from MAM. Haveri topped the list with the maximum number of children with SAM, while Belagavi had the highest number of children with MAM.

BIG PICTURE

Experts say many pockets of Karnataka are still dealing with malnutrition, with Covid-19 having made it worse. They highlight the need for closely tracking children and ensuring that the right kind of food reaches them.

In Karnataka, the Midday Meal Scheme (MMS) is being implemented across the state with nutritional value of the food set out in the scheme's guidelines and systems to ensure diversification of food for children.

MMS Senior Assistant Director Manjunath SC says, "Every day, we have a different type of food, the rice is fortified with folic acid, iron, zinc and Vitamin B-12 and A. We use iodised salt and fortified oil. Those who eat eggs get it twice a week with their meal, while vegetarians are given bananas or chikki. Otherwise, the regular menu includes rice, sambar, bisibele bath, pulao, rasam and sabji, this changes depending on the day. For sambar and sabji, we make sure that different vegetables are used on each day, and also that nutrition needs are met. On Saturdays, we use wheat products to make meals, like chapati, and also give payasam," he said.

Schools also provide iron and folic acid tablets weekly to the children to ensure they don't develop any deficiencies, he says. And yet, more needs to be done.

State unit secretary of Samajika Parivartana Janandola working for child rights, Vithal Chikani, says nutrition level of children in Raichur, Yadgir and Kalaburagi districts of Kalyana Karnataka region still lags behind, compared to other districts of the State.

He says the government has taken steps to distribute eggs and bananas to children in schools. Initially, it was taken up in six districts of Kalyana Karnataka in the last quarter of 2021-22. Karnataka State Rural Development University conducted a study about the impact of providing eggs and bananas to schoolchildren in Yadgir district. The study was conducted only in a few pockets, showing a slight improvement in nutrition levels in schoolchildren of Yadgir. The study needs to be conducted in a comprehensive manner, says Chikani, adding that it should be done in consultation with nutrition experts.

### NUTRITIONAL INTERVENTION

Mysuru district administration has set a target to make the district free of malnutrition by 2023. Women and Child Welfare department deputy director D Basavaraju says, "Malnutrition is still not eradicated completely in the district. There are 140 SAM children and 2,651 MAM children."

The department, in association with city-based Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI), has taken up nutrition intervention aimed at improving the nutritional status of children with SAM. These children will be given six types of nutritional supplements, including spirulina, chikki, high-protein rusk and biscuits along with eggs and milk, five days a week.

Veena Vivekananda, deputy director of the department, Udupi district, says there are 58 kids (aged six months to six years) who are suffering from SAM in Udupi. She says cases among children of migrant labourers are more; however, due to genetic and medical reasons, too, some kids face malnutrition issues.

There are over 300 kids with MAM in the district. Through the Nutrition Rehabilitation Centre (NRC), their condition is being improved with intervention by dietitians. Such centres are operating in Kundapur and Karkala taluks, and one in Udupi should be functional soon, she says.

Under Poshan Abhiyaan, a synergised and result-oriented approach is the focus. Seedlings are grown and sprouted seeds distributed to 340 of 1,191 anganwadi centres in the district.

Rahul Shinde, CEO of Zilla Panchayat, Vijayapura, says, "Before providing eggs, bananas and other nutritious food in schools, many students had nutrition deficit. Now, there are hardly any students with complaints of poor nutrition, as over 80 per cent of the children across the district consume eggs."

### EARLY BEGINNING CRUCIAL

Poor diet in early childhood can lead to deficiencies in essential vitamins and nutrients – such as Vitamin A deficiency, which weakens children's immunity, increases their risk of blindness and can even lead to death from common childhood diseases like diarrhoea.

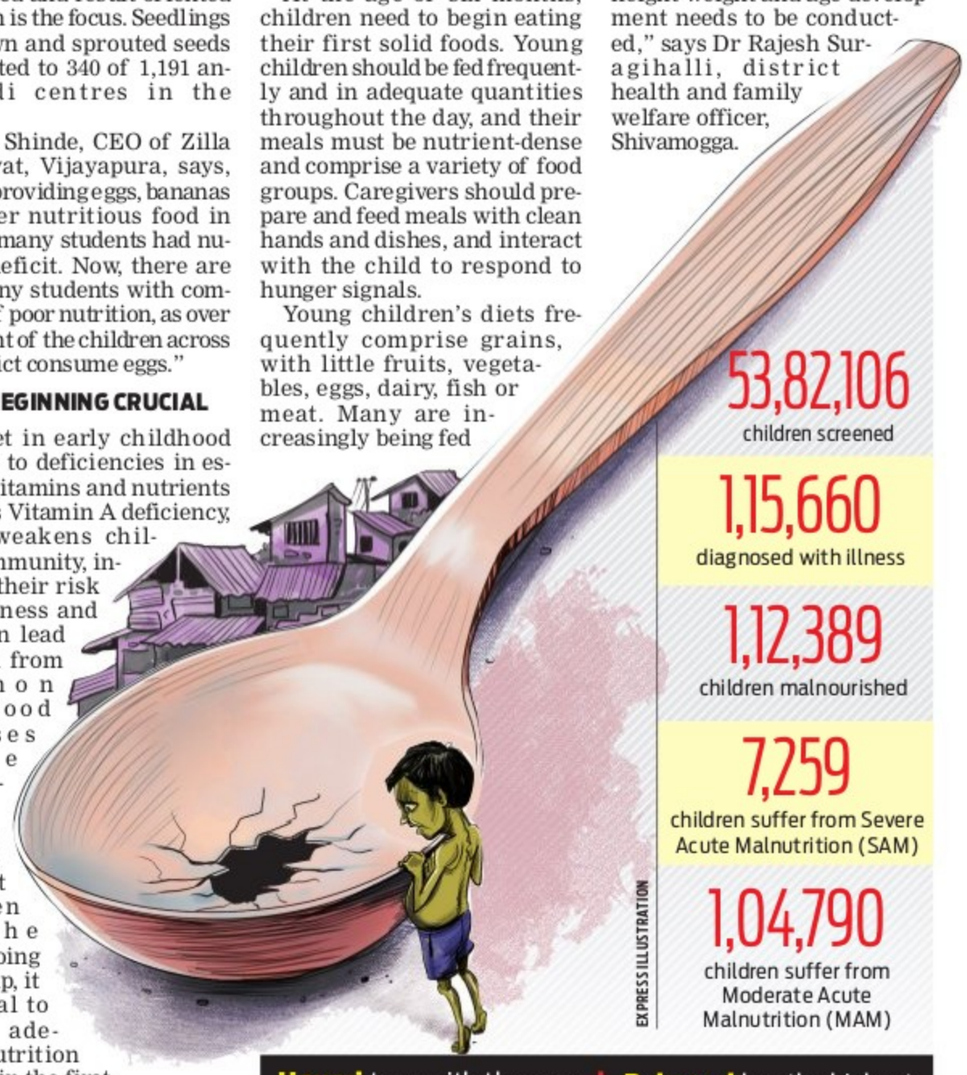
While the MMS aims at children in the school-going age group, it is crucial to ensure adequate nutrition for kids in the first six months of life — and more importantly from birth.

According to United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the UN agency responsible for providing humanitarian and developmental aid to children worldwide, in the first two years of life, breastfeeding saves lives, shields children from disease, boosts brain development and guarantees children a safe and nutritious food source.

UNICEF and World Health Organization (WHO) recommend that infants begin breastfeeding within an hour of birth, be exclusively breastfed for the first six months, and continue being breastfed until two years of age or beyond.

At the age of six months, children need to begin eating their first solid foods. Young children should be fed frequently and in adequate quantities throughout the day, and their meals must be nutrient-dense and comprise a variety of food groups. Caregivers should prepare and feed meals with clean hands and dishes, and interact with the child to respond to hunger signals.

Young children's diets frequently comprise grains, vegetables, eggs, dairy, fish or meat. Many are increasingly being fed sugary drinks and packaged snacks high in salt, sugar and fat, says UNICEF. "We need to educate parents to provide a nutritive value-based diet that is easily available in every home. It has to be prepared exclusively for children. Besides, there needs to be emphasis on protein, micronutrients and calorie based food for children in school. De-worming children at regular intervals is important, too. Regular checks on height-weight and age development needs to be conducted," says Dr Rajesh Suragihalli, district health and family welfare officer, Shivamogga.




**Haveri** tops with the max no. of children with SAM | **Belagavi** has the highest no. of children with MAM

*Inputs from:*
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# Making Hindi must against Constitution: Stalin to Modi

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

CHIEF Minister MK Stalin on Sunday wrote to Prime Minister Narendra Modi about the Parliamentary panel's alleged recommendation to make Hindi mandatory in IITs, IIMs and AIIMS institutions.

He cited media reports that said the panel recommended that Hindi replace English as the compulsory medium of instruction in Union government-run higher education institutions IITs, IIMs, AIIMS and Central universities. The panel, led by Home Minister Amit Shah, also recommended Hindi as the medium of instruction in all technical, and non-technical institutions and all Union government institutions including Kendriya Vidyalayas.

It also recommended that English be removed as a compulsory paper in recruitment exams, and that studying Hindi be part of the eligibility criteria for certain jobs. Stalin said these recommendations are against the federal principles of the Constitution and will harm the multi-lingual fabric of the nation. He added that in India, there are fewer Hindi speakers than people who don't speak the language.

# Villagers follow dog's bark, catch 6-ft croc

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THERE was an atmosphere of fear in Hosur village of Bailhongal taluk after a crocodile appeared in the sugarcane fields in the outskirts of the village on Sunday. Farmers expressed anger over the forest officials for not reaching the village to catch the crocodile despite being informed at the earliest.

Villagers of Hosur in Bailhongal taluk on Sunday capture the crocodile | EXPRESS

They have never seen a crocodile in and around the village, which sparked fear and excitement when they saw the six-feet-long crocodile in the field. According to the villagers, this crocodile might have come from Malaprabha river.

When a pet dog of a farmer started barking, farmers followed the sound and found that the dog was in the mouth of the crocodile. The farmers and youth gathered in the farm and informed the forest department and police. They waited for hours. Forest department personnel were late. When the crocodile was entering the sugarcane fields, a group of youths caught it. They tied it using two ropes and dragged it out of the field.

## *Snake not harmed, clarifies Isha*

Bengaluru: Following a complaint by members of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) against Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev for allegedly mishandling a rat snake, the Isha Foundation said that the complaint is misinformed. The incident has occurred at the Isha Yoga Centre during an event on October 9, when a rat snake entered and was allegedly manhandled by Sadhguru. The foundation issued a statement on Sunday, saying, "A snake had entered the vicinity of the Isha Yoga Centre in Chikkaballapur during the consecration event of a Naga Deity at the centre. For the safety of the snake and the people present, a volunteer brought it to Sadhguru's notice. The snake was not harmed, trapped or transported in any way as mentioned in the complaint. The police personnel present at the venue were aware of the incident."

# Each boat to cost ₹34 lakh

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TOURISTS will be allowed to board from JLR's Sharavathi Nature Camp. Each boat will cost around Rs 34 lakh. KPCL Managing Director MS Srikar said it is part of the Jog Development Project and the boat proposal is being given priority at the moment. The corporation is working on the project and the deck is being built, while utility works will start soon. According to the plan, all developmental and tourist-related works will be completed within two years.

OM SHANTHI

**Mr. K. Balasubramanian**
(Retd. Southern Railways)
D.O.B : 24.05.1933 - D.O.D : 15.10.2022
Beloved and Kind Husband,
Father and Grandfather.
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Daughters & Sons-in-law
Mrs. Vidya Muralidharan & Mr. Muralidharan
Mrs. Uma Seshan & Mr. Ram Seshan
Mrs. Subha Shetty & Mr. Prashanth Shetty
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

This is informed to the general public's that, my client has negotiated to purchase the residential property premises bearing **No 358, BBMP PID, No 964-3359-358** Ullalu Ward No 130, Situated at 11th Cross, Nagadevanahalli presently called as Bhuvaneswari Nagar, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore, which more fully described in the schedule here under from its owners **Sri T. Jayaram** S/o Late T. Thimmaiah and **Smt V. Sudha** W/o Sri.T. Jayaram residing at No 8, 10th Cross, Near IBP Petrol Bunk, 80 feet Road, Mariyappanapalya, Bangalore.

If any person/s, Company/ Firm / Bank / Co-Operative Bank/s, or Institution having any claims, interest, or any liability whatsoever kind about the schedule property, or anybody opposing to the said sale, shall be submit their claim/s along with documentary proof of their claims to the undersigned within **10 days** from the date of publication of this notice. If no claims within 10 days, it is presumed that there are no claims from any person/s in any manner in respect of the schedule property. There after my client proceeds to complete the sale transaction. Which please note.

**SCHEDULE**

Residential property premises bearing No **358, BBMP PID No 964-3359-358** Ullalu Ward No 130, Situated at 11th Cross Nagadevanahalli presently called as Bhuvaneswarinagar, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore, measuring east to west **40 feet** and north to south **30 feet** along with four floor building thereon bounded by,

**East by** : Road,
**West by** : Private Property.
**North by** : Property No 359.
**South by** : Property No 357.

Bangalore, Date 13/10/2022.

**H. Gopalappa, Advocate**
No. 59, 5th Cross,
1st Main Road, Vasanthanagar,
Bangalore 52. (M) 9448510298.

**IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BANGALORE**
**P & Sc. No.603/2022**

**BETWEEN: 1. Mrs. G.S. LALITHA**, aged about 70 years, W/o. Late G. Seetharamu, R/at No.823, 9th Cross, W O C Road, 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560086. **2. Mr. SRIVATSA GORUR**, aged about 45 years, S/o Late G. Seetharamu, R/at B-702, Renaissance Temple Bells Apt., Opp. ISKCON, 25/1, Indusrial Suburb, Yeshwanthapur, Bangalore-560022. **3. Mrs. SREERANJANI GORUR SEETHARAM,** aged about 41 years, D/o Late G. Sectharamu, R/at No.1101, 8th Cross, 2nd Block, BSK 1st Stage, Bangalore-560050. ... **PETITIONERS**

**AND: NIL ... RESPONDENTS**

Whereas the above named Petitioner has made a Petition to this Court (CCH No.3) under Section 372 of the Indian Succession Act praying for issue of Succession Certificate for getting the schedule assets transferred to the name of the 1st petitioner. The schedule mentioned below belongs to Sri. G. Seetha Ramu, who expired on 12.11.2020 respectively. The said Sri. G. Seetha Ramu is the husband of the 1st Petitioner and father of Petitioners (2) and (3).

Interested Parties are hereby warned to appear in this court in person or by pleader duly instructed on the **5th day of November 2022** at 11:00 'O' Clock in forenoon to Show Cause against the Petition failing wherein, the matter will be heard and determined exparte.

**SCHEDULE**

I. An amount of Rs. 11,11,916/- (Rupees Eleven Lakhs Eleven Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixteen Only) in the PPF account bearing Account No.5402147994O, Product: PPF-GEN-PUB IND-ALL-INR, at State Bank of India, Old Bangalore Road Branch Hosur.

II. An amount of Rs.18,88,782.95 (Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Eighty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Two Paisa Ninety Five Only) in the Savings Bank Account bearing No.54002318952 at State Bank of India, Dr. Modi Hospital Road Branch, Bangalore.

III. Shares in Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited

| Sl. No. | Folio No. | Certificate No. | Distinctive Nos. | No. of Shares |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | ST 023108 | 57938 | 02596506-02596555 | 50 |
| 2. | ST 023108 | 97938 | 04321506-04321555 | 50 |
| 3. | ST 023108 | 117433 | 05043996-05044045 | 50 |
| 4. | ST 023108 | 154128 | 06582717-06582766 | 50 |
| 5. | ST 023108 | 154129 | 06582767-06582816 | 50 |
| 6. | ST 023108 | 154130 | 06582817-06582866 | 50 |
| 7. | ST 023108 | 154131 | 06582867-06582886 | 20 |
| 8. | ST 023108 | 154132 | 06582887-06582906 | 20 |
| 9. | ST 023108 | 154133 | 06582907-06582908 | 2 |

Given under my hand and the seal of the court this the 13th day of October 2022.
By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

**B.G. SRIRAM,** Advocate,
No.65, 13th Main, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011.

**IDFC FIRST Bank Limited**
(erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)
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**APPENDIX IV [Rule 8(1)]**
**POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property)**

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of the **IDFC First Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **15.11.2019** calling upon the borrower, co-borrowers and guarantors **1. Munikrishnappa G, 2. Roopa M,** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.26,68,698.08/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Sixty Eight Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Eight And Paise Eight Only)** as on **15.11.2019** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Physical Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub – section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **13th day of October 2022**.

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **IDFC First Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)** for an amount of **Rs.26,68,698.08/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Sixty Eight Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Eight And Paise Eight Only)** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub – section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

**DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES.**

**All the piece and parcel of the property consisting of** the property bearing extract of E Swathu No.122, Property No.15020030110010061, assigned to the Old House List No.122, Katha No.135, measuring East to West 43 feet and North to South 26 ½ Feet, Situated at Doddathoguru Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, comprising of a building **bounded on : East by :** House is belongs to Mr. Krishnappa **West by :** Road and 8 Feet Vacant Place **North by :** Property belongs to Mr. Nagappa Reddy **South by :** Property belongs to Hanumantharayappa Temple.

**Sd/-**
**Authorised Officer**
**IDFC First Bank Limited**
**(erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)**

Date : 13-10-2022
Place : Bangalore.
Loan Account No. : 15628503.

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**AUCTION - NOTICE**

That the below mentioned Borrower/s had availed gold loan facility against security of the gold ornaments/ items, as specified below. The Borrower/s defaulted in due repayment of the instalments and outstanding dues and as a result of which the Bank was constrained to issue notices calling upon the Borrower/s to repay the outstanding amounts. However, the Borrower/s has failed to repay/clear his outstanding dues thereby compelling the Bank to auction the gold ornaments pledged in favour of the Bank.

**The auction of the below mentioned gold ornaments would be held at: - Respective Branches**
**Date: 28.10.2022 Time: 11.00 AM**

| Apac | Account No | Borrower Name | State | Location | Branch | Gr. wt (Gms) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| GLN2029827 | GLN2029827 | Sivanath Thulasi Ramamoorthi | Karnataka | BANGALORE | AVENUEROAD | 58.48 |
| GLN2049412 | GLN2049412 | K V Krishnaveni | Karnataka | BANGALORE | AVENUEROAD | 78.68 |
| GLN2062503 | GLN2062503 | K V Krishnaveni | Karnataka | BANGALORE | AVENUEROAD | 60.24 |
| GLN2164249 | GLN2164249 | K V Krishnaveni | Karnataka | BANGALORE | AVENUEROAD | 40.4 |
| GLN2301418 | GLN2301418 | Hajira . | Karnataka | BANGALORE | BASAVANGDI | 67.77 |
| GLN1830092 | GLN1830092 | Pankaja N | Karnataka | BANGALORE | BASAVSWRNR | 98.9 |
| GLN2156493 | GLN2156493 | Pankaja N | Karnataka | BANGALORE | BASAVSWRNR | 116.48 |
| GLN2157084 | GLN2157084 | Pankaja N | Karnataka | BANGALORE | BASAVSWRNR | 83.1 |
| GLN1807481 | GLN1807481 | Asha S | Karnataka | BANGALORE | BASAVSWRNR | 106.6 |
| GLN1808390 | GLN1808390 | Asha S | Karnataka | BANGALORE | BASAVSWRNR | 170.86 |
| GLN2185400 | GLN2185400 | Shabeer B | Karnataka | BANGALORE | BASAVSWRNR | 123.7 |
| GLN2165139 | GLN2165139 | Saroja K | Karnataka | BANGALORE | BASAVSWRNR | 71.23 |
| GLN2312150 | GLN2312150 | Saroja K | Karnataka | BANGALORE | BASAVSWRNR | 36.67 |
| GLN2277437 | GLN2277437 | Sowmya R | Karnataka | BANGALORE | BASAVSWRNR | 164.11 |
| GLN2304888 | GLN2304888 | T Manjunath | Karnataka | BANGALORE | BSANKARI | 61.2 |
| GLN2037962 | GLN2037962 | Thimmesh M | Karnataka | BANGALORE | DEVASANDRA | 29.1 |
| GLN2216521 | GLN2216521 | Sharmistha Samanta | Karnataka | BANGALORE | DEVASANDRA | 13.9 |
| GLN2241732 | GLN2241732 | Mohammed Ali | Karnataka | BANGALORE | FRAZERTOW | 12.34 |
| GLN2317006 | GLN2317006 | Mohammed Ali | Karnataka | BANGALORE | FRAZERTOW | 15.08 |
| GLN1809763 | GLN1809763 | Asma Anwari | Karnataka | BANGALORE | INFANTRYR | 42.06 |
| GLN2117773 | GLN2117773 | Saravanan Mani | Karnataka | BANGALORE | JAKASANDRA | 32.59 |
| GLN2258340 | GLN2258340 | A M Pandiyan | Karnataka | BANGALORE | JAKASANDRA | 31.6 |
| GLN2308621 | GLN2308621 | Vimal C | Karnataka | BANGALORE | JAKASANDRA | 23.9 |
| GLN2286217 | GLN2286217 | Rajkumar Singh B C | Karnataka | BANGALORE | JAKASANDRA | 15.9 |
| GLN2158070 | GLN2158070 | Manoj Kumar B | Karnataka | BANGALORE | JAYALAKSHM | 20.5 |
| GLN2161270 | GLN2161270 | Katikam Sai Kumar | Karnataka | BANGALORE | JPNGR2 | 16.5 |
| GLN2125606 | GLN2125606 | Chandrashekhara G B | Karnataka | BANGALORE | JPNGR2 | 50.45 |
| GLN2044326 | GLN2044326 | N Ashok Kumar | Karnataka | BANGALORE | KAMNHALI | 67.17 |
| GLN2224909 | GLN2224909 | N Ashok Kumar | Karnataka | BANGALORE | KAMNHALI | 26.5 |
| GLN2167107 | GLN2167107 | Krishnamoorthy . | Karnataka | BANGALORE | KAMNHALI | 11.66 |
| GLN2240190 | GLN2240190 | Vignesh R | Karnataka | BANGALORE | KHROAD | 12 |
| GLN2292591 | GLN2292591 | D Aravind | Karnataka | BANGALORE | MALESWARA | 32.22 |
| GLN2141289 | GLN2141289 | Mamatha Ganesh | Karnataka | BANGALORE | RAJAJINAGA | 112.18 |
| GLN2277571 | GLN2277571 | Neelufar Banu | Karnataka | BANGALORE | RTNAGAR | 25.6 |
| GLN2135111 | GLN2135111 | Shekhar Ganapati Bhat | Karnataka | BANGALORE | RTNAGAR | 15.1 |
| GLN2313354 | GLN2313354 | Saif Ahmed | Karnataka | BANGALORE | RTNAGAR | 15.9 |
| GLN2266862 | GLN2266862 | Debendra Nayak | Karnataka | BANGALORE | THIPASANDR | 11.5 |
| GLN2101480 | GLN2101480 | V Krishnam Raju | Karnataka | BANGALORE | VIJAYANAGA | 343.93 |
| GLN2294150 | GLN2294150 | B R Nithyananda | Karnataka | BANGALORE | VIJAYANAGA | 24 |
| GLN2163551 | GLN2163551 | Deepa V | Karnataka | BANGALORE | VIJAYANAGA | 137.57 |
| GLN2128589 | GLN2128589 | N Ranganath | Karnataka | BANGALORE | VIJAYANAGA | 183.6 |
| GLN2131359 | GLN2131359 | N Ranganath | Karnataka | BANGALORE | VIJAYANAGA | 208.9 |
| GLN2198086 | GLN2198086 | Vijay Kumar R | Karnataka | BANGALORE | VIJAYANAGA | 318.16 |
| GLN2293052 | GLN2293052 | Shahid Afridi | Karnataka | BANGALORE | WHITEFIELD | 34.2 |
| GLN2276359 | GLN2276359 | Shamala D | Karnataka | BANGALORE | WHITEFIELD | 7.5 |

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# EDITORIAL

Keep your face always toward the sunshine and shadows will fall behind you — Walt Whitman

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— Ramnath Goenka

## BJP's MIND GAMES FOR BREAKTHROUGH IN RURAL GUJARAT

When Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently claimed the Congress had outsourced its criticism to Urban Naxals in Gujarat, he was alluding to the invectives from Arvind Kejriwal's Aam Aadmi Party. By any yardstick, AAP is the most visible opposition party in the state that is expected to go to polls in barely a couple of months. Despite not much parallel activity on the ground, his party is raising a storm on social media to hog the limelight. When his soft Hindutva line came under strain after a video of his minister in Delhi denigrating Hindu deities went viral, Kejriwal was forced to sack him. But he stood by his rabble-rousing Gujarat unit chief Gopal Italia, though his statements were highly offensive and misogynist. The BJP has since dug up past tweets of Italia, which called Modi *neech* (lowly). Remember when Mani Shankar Aiyar first characterised Modi as *neech aadmi* in the run-up to the Assembly elections in Gujarat in 2017? The latter weaponised and spun it as a Congress pejorative against all lower castes and turned his whole campaign around that one misstep to win a repeat mandate. Modi waits for Congress follies during election time to leverage them, like he did when Sonia Gandhi described him as a *maut ka sauda gar* (merchant of death) while recalling the anti-Muslim pogrom during his watch as chief minister in 2002.

Curiously, the Congress has gone completely silent this time around. Since Modi rarely makes loose statements, when he also said the Congress was quietly working in rural Gujarat to garner votes, it appeared intriguing. For, there is little evidence on the ground of the grand old party picking itself up and dusting off though it still holds control in rural areas. With the party's Walker on a charm offensive far away from the epicentre of electoral jousts and the Congress in the midst of its national presidential polls, the Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh units are running around like headless chickens, allowing the AAP ample play.

Given the farming community's disenchantment and the anti-incumbency against the BJP that has been in power for close to 25 years on a trot, whose votes the AAP would eat into is yet uncertain. Modi perhaps wants to nudge the AAP towards rural Gujarat so as to let it nibble Congress votes, thus creating room for the BJP's breakthrough there.

## INDIA 107 IN HUNGER INDEX, GOVT IN DENIAL

The government's response to the latest Global Hunger Index (GHI) rankings, which put India in 107th place out of 121 countries, is not very unpredictable. It has summarily rejected the rankings that show India faring much worse than some of our neighbouring countries. Afghanistan is the only Asian country that has fared worse than us. The government's usual response to any global survey, or study—for example, Press Freedom Index or Democracy index—in which India does poorly, is to reject the same by calling the methodology erroneous or the study inaccurate. But the slightest praise by a global agency, like the recent admirations for India's Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) scheme, and the government goes to town boasting about it. The government needs some consistency on this front.

As for the latest Global Hunger Index rankings, the government has pointed out several faults and shortcomings in the methodology. But the rankings have been there for long, and India has been doing badly since the start. It has remained one of the lowest-ranked countries for some time now. Rankings in recent years might have also been impacted by the distress caused by the pandemic in the lower strata of the population. It is no secret that the Indian poor have been the worst affected by the pandemic, and the government measures during that period were inadequate.

Recently, a World Bank report said that of the 71 million people pushed into poverty by the pandemic, 56 million were from India. Many agencies have pointed out in the past India's relatively poor handling of the pandemic, especially with regard to providing relief to the poor. Some estimates suggest India is home to the largest number (83 million) of people living below the poverty line. While there could be differences of opinion on the number of people below the poverty line in India, it is no secret that many people in India are forced to live in wretched conditions.

While the government—in the past and present—has been trying to address the issue through several schemes like food security programmes, direct cash transfers, etc., it has a long road to traverse before it can deny the existence of the problem with a straight face. Till then, it could do with some constructive criticism.

**QUICK TAKE**

### OUTSOURCING ARMY HR

The army plans to outsource its human resources operations to a HR-tech firm, ZingHR. Automating and modernising HR processes for its million-odd personnel is the objective. The firm claims to have blockchain technology and 'military grade' data protection services. The army's HR model, unlike non-military organisations, revolves equally around the soldier, the strategic enabler, as an individual and as part of a unit. Secondly, the army recruits only at the entry-level. Promotions after that are from within, rank by rank. Due diligence would have preceded the company's selection, but its unfamiliarity with these unique HR perspectives can undo the exercise.

India is civilisationally secular and democratic. Democracy and plurality go hand in hand in the country and provide the Indian society the vibrancy that one sees within it

## A DANGEROUS AND VICIOUS CAMPAIGN TO VILIFY INDIA

A SURYA PRAKASH

Former Chairman of Prasar Bharati and scholar of democracy studies

SOUMYADIP SINHA

Several groups which are inimical to India's interests have come together to put out a huge advertisement in a leading American newspaper which is full of innuendoes and falsehoods about India with a clear aim of creating social divisions and promoting unrest.

The advertisement, which is supposedly "An Open Letter to the American People" and which is sponsored by American Muslim Institution, Association of Indian Muslims of America and some other such organisations, makes a vicious attack on India and says that Muslims, Christians and Sikhs face discrimination, frequent demolition of homes, businesses, mosques, churches and religious schools in the country. It adds that the Narendra Modi government is "attempting to illegally seize land and property set aside by Muslims for charitable purposes" and has severely restricted the "non-Hindu religious institutions to receive foreign contributions, which support care and education for underserved Indians".

Further, this advertisement, published in the *New York Times*, makes the preposterous claim that "the Indian judiciary and police are filled with BJP/RSS loyalists and are doing little to nothing to stop atrocities against religious minorities." This smacks of gross irresponsibility on the part of the newspaper which has published it. If it was an Indian newspaper, the editor and the publisher would most certainly be cooling their heels in Tihar Jail.

Obviously, the sponsors are unaware or pretend to be unaware of the various judgments of the Supreme Court and several high courts upholding the fundamental rights of citizens, as they have always done. The entire advertisement is loaded with mischief and comes through as a deliberate attempt to run down the world's most diverse society and the largest and most vibrant democracy.

The purpose of the advertisement appears to be to spread the lie that India is governed by a single political party—the Bharatiya Janata Party—that pursues policies inimical to religious minorities. This fallacy must be exposed because it attempts to hide the federal character of the Indian Constitution and the plural nature of not just the population but governance as well. The number of political parties represented in the Lok Sabha in the 1950s was 12. It has now risen to over 40 because of the extension of social and cultural diversity to the sphere of electoral politics. The truth that is often hidden by those who carry an anti-India agenda is the fact that India has 28 states and 2 union territories which have state assemblies and chief ministers. Of them, only 12 are ruled by the BJP. The remaining 18 are governed by a kaleidoscope of parties which range from communists, Christian parties, Muslim parties and a wide range of regional parties, most of whom have nothing in common with the BJP.

The other innuendo in the advertisement is that political power is wholly in the hands of the Hindu majority and that the Christians, Muslims, Sikhs and other religious minorities are subjugated. This is a blatant lie because there are four Christian, two Buddhist and one Sikh chief minister in the country. Secondly and more importantly, the maintenance of law and order is the responsibility of the state under the Constitution. The Modi government has nothing to do with it.

The BJP, one presumes, will respond to the accusations made against it, but here is the factual position. The charge against the BJP—that it is opposed to religious minorities—must be tested on certain facts that are hidden by the anti-India propagandists. For example, of the seven non-Hindu chief ministers in India, five belong to the BJP-led National Democratic Alliance. Also, the BJP ran a coalition government with a Muslim party in Jammu & Kashmir when it was a state and with a Sikh party in Punjab till some years ago. Incidentally, the BJP is in power on its own or as a coalition in two of the largest Buddhist states—Arunachal Pradesh and Sikkim—which are headed by Buddhist chief ministers. The charge that this party discriminates against Dalits and Adivasis must also fail because of the massive electoral support that it enjoys among these communities, apart from the fact that it has been in power in two states which have the largest population of scheduled tribes. And, if all this is not enough, the candidates chosen by the BJP for the office of president since it came to power at the federal level—Ramnath Kovind and Droupadi Murmu—belong to the scheduled caste and scheduled tribe communities.

The strong bond between this party and these communities could never have been possible if the party had not focused on their amelioration in its political, social and economic agenda.

In any case, while the advertisement pretends to target this political party, it cannot hide the larger agenda behind its publication—to run down India and India's unparalleled constitutional and democratic traditions. Two years ago, Freedom House, based on half-truths and untruths, claimed there is no religious freedom in India.

Interestingly, the sponsors of this advertisement appeal to Americans to contact members of the American Congress and the Biden administration and urge them to make the Indian government accountable for its actions. It certainly does not make sense to place such a burden on the US administration when it is caught up in mending what looks like an irretrievable breakdown of relations between the whites and the blacks in that country.

India is civilisationally secular and democratic. Democracy and plurality go hand in hand in the country and provide the Indian society the vibrancy that one sees within it.

Therefore, those who are spreading this poison are harming themselves. It is indeed shameful that Indian citizens who are enjoying these freedoms are promoting this vicious anti-India propaganda in the West. No true democrat who values the freedom he enjoys in India will ever resort to it. The time has come to warn the members of the minority communities who are spreading this poison that they may willy-nilly be jeopardising the fundamental rights and freedoms of the Hindu majority, which dearly cherishes India's plurality and all the constitutional rights that ensure diversity. Therefore, in the larger interests of all the 1.4 billion citizens, one must hope and pray that the mischief of a few does not become a self-fulfilling prophecy.

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FAITHLINE

RENUKA NARAYANAN

Do we start to learn right from the womb? I read that babies receive sounds and vibrations from around 23 weeks. They get used to the sound of the mother's voice, to her breathing and her stomach rumbling. They ingest amniotic fluid flavoured by the mother's taste in food. Their heartbeats apparently slow down to a relaxed state when soothing music is played. So auditory influences are important.

One of the earliest tales that we know, of being influenced from the womb, is that of Prahlad. His father, the *asura* or titan Hiranyakashipu, overwhelmed the three worlds and declared himself the only God. He demanded absolute worship and decreed that all other gods were false. We know how that story ended. But Prahlad's heart belonged to Lord Vishnu. This was because when his mother was expecting him, she was visited by the divine sage, Narada.

The celestial seer was besotted with Lord Vishnu and exclaimed with every other breath: "Narayan! Narayan!" He stayed on in *Patal*, the netherworld, to amuse Prahlad's mother, and crammed her head with Vishnu lore. The baby heard every word and absorbed it all. He grew up to be a meek child in every other way but not in this. "Never in this, Father," he said calmly, bowing low. "I must worship Lord Vishnu or it makes me cross." A world of unspoken *asura* temper there, which secretly pleased Hiranyakashipu. At least Prahlad was not like a mawkish earthling. But Prahlad, thanks to learning Vishnu love from the womb, was our first known *satyagrahi*, whose nonviolent noncooperation eventually won the day. This story was deeply internalised in India. In my view, it was the underlying seed or example that was followed millennia later in Gandhi's *satyagraha*. Whether this is acknowledged or not, it existed already in the collective consciousness as a way to get your way.

Another famous story is that of the unfortunate Abhimanyu in the *Mahabharata*. To recap, his father Arjuna told his mother Subhadra, who was then expecting him, about the *Chakravyuha* battle tactic. One wonders why he did so when Subhadra, despite being Sri Krishna's sister, was scarcely expected to pick up a sword in that family of supermen. Alas, Subhadra nodded off in the middle. So the baby learned how to get into the *Chakravyuha* but not out of it.

This proved fatal on the battlefield of Kurukshetra. Six doughty Kaurava warriors bludgeoned 16-year-old Abhimanyu to death, even after he fell. It is one of several shameful acts in the chronicle of the Kauravas, and a lesson not to be overconfident when possessed of only half knowledge.

Yet another poignant story is that of Ashtavakra, whose name means 'Eight Twists'. Ashtavakra heard *slokas* being recited right from when he was in his mother's womb. One day, while still inside, he heard his father, Kahoda, make a mistake in recitation. The baby spoke up, correcting him. This was because he did not want his father caught out in public. His angry father cursed him to be born deformed. Poor, loyal Ashtavakra. However, he went on to be a great scholar and authored a book on philosophy called the *Ashtavakra Gita*. He even avenged his father who had killed himself in disgrace after losing a scholarly debate. While Abhimanyu's story cautions us of the perils of half knowledge, Ashtavakra's sorry plight is perhaps intended as a warning to never speak out of turn, since not everyone accepts correction gracefully or in good spirit.

Representative image

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While these stories come from scripture, I also have a curious tale to share from our times. It was told to me by a very well educated, well placed Maharashtrian, about himself.

It was 1962. His mother was in Pune, expecting him, while his father, a soldier, was away at the front, fighting against the Chinese aggression. The distressing news arrived that the father had been wounded in action and his arm might have to be amputated. The mother prayed to Ma Tulaja Bhavani.

'Tulaja' or 'Tulja Bhavani' is a form of Parvati. 'Bhavani' means the 'giver of life', the *Jagatjanani*. This ancient holy site is reportedly mentioned in the *Skanda Purana*, while the present temple goes back to the 12th century. It is in Tuljapur in Maharashtra, not far from Solapur. Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj is said to have prayed there frequently. The goddess is believed to have bestowed a sword on him called the 'Bhavani khadga' or 'Bhavani's sword'. The goddess apparently draws devotees from Maharashtra, Telangana, Karnataka and even Nepal. Her temple is considered a very *jagrut* or powerful place.

The wounded soldier's wife prayed to this *Amman* or Mother to save her husband's arm. She was a Maratha and was used to eating meat but swore to give it up for life as a mark of faith. The arm was saved and the mother kept her vow. But strangely, the baby grew up totally intolerant of meat. He spat it out, made faces, howled in protest and threw up even when fed meat in disguise through soup, *dal* and *khichri*.

The well meaning parents who were anxious to feed their son his share of protein could not understand his revulsion. The possible reason struck them only when they went on pilgrimage to Tulja Bhavani Temple. He had been part of his mother's body when she took her vow and obviously upheld it after he was born. They accepted his food preference after that. He has remained a vegetarian right through, which really makes you wonder at both divinity and Mother Nature's ways.

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## MAILBAG

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### Kudos, Team India

Congratulations to the Indian women's cricket team for winning the 2022 Asia Cup after beating Sri Lanka. This is their seventh in and is really a marvelous feat. Great going indeed!

**S K Ramesh, Ballari**

### Mischievous hunger index

Apropos of *Global Hunger Index seeks to taint India's image: Govt* (Oct 16). Placing India at 107 out of 121 countries in the Global Hunger Index, behind Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh, is a deliberately mischievous and unwarranted move. It seeks to tarnish India. What about the progress of the PDS system in the country that helps economically weaker sections in society?

**K V Raghuram, Wayanad**

### Govt must improve rank

The government's reaction was expected, given our abysmal ranking in the hunger index. Instead of taking this positively and working on the lacunae, the government is getting conscious and rejecting it. If the ratings were favourable, it would have wasted no time in blowing its own trumpet.

**Aanya Singhal, Noida**

### Freebie politics

Apropos of *Inflation and the risks of freebie politics* (Oct 16). People's representatives are elected so that they efficiently manage public funds and resources. They must not use this for non-welfare expense. The columnist has rightly stated that parties dole out freebies at the expense of the country's economic growth. Ultimately, citizens face the brunt of it.

**A M Chakravarty, Hyderabad**

### DMK retaliates

Apropos of *DMK holds anti-Hindi stir, BJP calls it drama* (Oct 16). One of the proposals of the parliamentary committee, headed by Home Minister Amit Shah, suggests making Hindi the medium of instruction in central institutes. Past experiences have shown that it is not easy to impose Hindi against the will of the people in Tamil Nadu. The demonstrations by the DMK are nothing but gimmicks to gain votes.

**N A Joseph, Ettumanoor**

### No need for remote

Mallikarjun Kharge had earlier scotched rumours that he was going to be 'remote-controlled' by the Gandhis. But in his speech at Sathyamurthy Bhavan, he said he would listen to Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi since he considered it his duty to continue their "good work". When one shows this kind of attitude, what is the need for a "remote"?

**P G Menon, Chennai**

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**TWEETS OF THE DAY**

**Arjun Modhwadia** @arjunmodhwadia
@IYCGujarat's "Yuva Parivartan Yatra" organised to highlight the problems related to the general public like inflation, unemployment, corruption

**Amit Shah** @AmitShah
For the first time in the country, medical education in Hindi will begin this year, with its launch in Bhopal in Madhya Pradesh

**Kapil Sibal** @KapilSibal
Global Hunger Index: India ranks 107th out of 121 countries. If there were a Global Hunger for Power Index, India would have been right up there

# Law books in 'mother tongue' by year-end

Centre to bring out 75 quality law textbooks and content in regional languages for undergraduate students

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

THE Centre will bring out 75 good quality law textbooks and content in regional languages this year to impart and encourage legal education in the mother tongue. Speaking with this newspaper, Chamu Krishna Shastry, Chairman of the High Powered Committee for the Promotion of Indian Languages under the Ministry of Education, said, "Eminent professors will be writing these books in mother tongues for undergraduate courses."

"We are starting the work to publish law textbooks in regional languages for undergraduate courses. These books will be out by year-end. The idea is that colleges and institutes shouldn't face any difficulty in imparting legal education to students interested in studying in their mother tongue," he said.

Law colleges and institutes can introduce these legal books from the next academic year, Shastry added.

The decision to publish original law books in 13 regional languages was taken at the one-day national workshop on October 14, which the Bhartiya Bhasha Samiti, or the high-powered committee, organised. This high-powered committee has been formed to recommend speedy pathways and action plans for the holistic and multidisciplinary development of Indian languages in the light of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The workshop was organised in collaboration with Shiksha Sanskriti Utthan Nyas, an RSS-affiliated body on education.

**LOCALLY LEGAL**

- Eminent professors from 13 states to write books in mother tongues for undergraduate courses
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- Purpose of the move is to help students interested in studying law in 'mother tongue'

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However, it was decided that apart from original books, they will translate not only necessary Acts, statutes and judgments also, a point also raised by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on October 14 at the All India Conference of law ministers and secretaries, where he had stressed that new laws should be written in a clear manner and in regional languages to bring in "ease of justice," so that even the poor can easily understand them. Legal language doesn't become a barrier for citizens.

Shastry said the idea behind organising the workshop, which was attended by eminent law professors from 13 states, including Kerala, was to explore the scope for promotion of teaching-learning, proficiency in vocabulary use etc., of Indian languages in legal education.

It was also decided in the workshop to translate reputed textbooks from English to local languages. For this, a tool prepared by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), a national-level council for technical education under the Education Ministry, will be used. Buddha Chandrasekhar, Chief Coordinating Officer, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Ministry of Education, who developed this tool, demonstrated it during the workshop. "We aim to use this tool to translate legal texts in local languages," Shastry said.

Justice L. Narasimha Reddy, former Chief Justice of Patna High Court and former Chairman of the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT), also guided the deliberations. It was found that in undergraduate courses, students in many states take examinations as well as classes in regional languages.

The Bar Council of India Rules of Legal Education already allows the study of legal education in local languages.

# Renaissance day, says Shah as he unveils MBBS books in Hindi

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

UNION Home Minister Amit Shah on Sunday released textbooks in Hindi of three subjects for MBBS students as part of an ambitious project of the Madhya Pradesh government to impart medical education in the Hindi language. Terming it as an important day in history, Shah said Madhya Pradesh has become the first state in the country to start the MBBS (Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery) course in Hindi.

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>
> Amit Shah, Home Minister

"This is the day of renaissance and reconstruction of the education sector of the country. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has taken a very historic decision in the New Education Policy, by giving importance to the mother tongue of students in Primary, Technical and Medical education. The PM had given a call to provide Medical and Engineering education in regional languages such as Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Gujarati, Bengali and the Government of Madhya Pradesh led by Shivraj Singh Chouhan is the first to fulfill the PM's wish," Shah said.

Today Medical education is commencing in Hindi and soon Engineering studies will also begin in Hindi and translation of Engineering books has commenced in eight languages across the country, and soon students across the nation will be able to pursue Technical and Medical education in their Mother Tongue. He said that this day is important as from , students will not only receive instructions in Technical and Medical education in their Mother Tongue, but also will be able to conduct research in their own language.

Praising the MP government on the issue, Shah said "MP is the first state to implement PM Modi's New Education policy and is implementing it in a very good way.

## POWER GAMES

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### Press Freedom

**GEHLOT RAPPED FOR 'GIVE PUBLICITY, GET ADVT' REMARK**

The Press Council of India (PCI) last week censured Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot for asking media persons to give publicity to his government if they want advertisement. At a press conference on December 16, 2019, Gehlot had said "*Agar vigyapan chahte ho to hamari khabar dikhao.*" Though the remark was made in a lighter vein, the PCI took a suo moto cognisance and issued notice to the state chief secretary asking him to explain the chief minister's remarks. The PCI said that "such a statement is contrary to the values of democracy and affects the reliability and freedom of the media." The matter was brought to the notice of PCI by a representative of Rajasthan newspaper *Rashtradoot*. The PCI inquiry committee (IC) that went into the complaint felt that the use of advertisements to arm-twist media is a larger malaise and Gehlot was not the only chief minister or a minister to use this stick to influence the flow of news. The committee said Gehlot voiced it, while others were more discreet. It noted that every second complaint in PCI is related to the issue of governments and their departments refusing advertisements to media outlets that do not toe the government line. The committee felt that the PCI needs to go deeper into the issue to frame some guidelines or dos and don'ts.

### Midnight Coup

**SOURAV'S OUSTER SCRIPTED AT SHAH'S RESIDENCE**

It was at a midnight meeting on October 6 at Union Home Minister Amit Shah's 6-A, Krishna Menon Marg official residence that the decision to deny a second term to Sourav Ganguly as BCCI president was taken. Sources said senior Shah was present in the meeting. His son Jay Shah is the secretary of the BCCI. But Amit Shah does not hold any position in any state cricket body or the BCCI. Ironically, while seeking denial of a second term for Sourav at that meeting, former BCCI president N Srinivasan cited some improprieties committed by him as the reason for his demand. Other luminaries of the BCCI present at the meeting wasted no time in endorsing Srinivasan's demand. The other decisions taken at the meeting that night also had irony scurrying for cover. After Prime Minister Narendra Modi's frontal attack on existence and promotion of dynasties in elected bodies, the top BCCI officials present at Shah the residence decided to give a second term to Jay Shah, besides finalising the name of Union Sports Minister Anurag Thakur's brother Arun Dhumal for the post of IPL chairman.

### Playing Favourites

**KHARGE TO BE NEXT CONG CHIEF WITH FAMILY BACKING**

Congress voters are all set to elect a new party president on October 17. In spite of repeated disclaimers, the electioneering has left little doubt that Mallikarjun Kharge has had the backing of the Gandhi family, and consequently, of the state party units. Pradesh Congress Committee presidents have refused to even meet and greet Kharge's opponent Shashi Tharoor during his visit. While the party issued instructions to treat both the candidates equally, Tharoor's complaint regarding lack of level playing field was not entirely incorrect. There are reports of some state Congress presidents personally assuring Kharge of support from all voters from their states. Even a chief minister has made a similar assurance to Kharge. The guidelines issued for elections asked party office-bearers to refrain from making any comment for or against any candidate. But there are numerous examples of office-bearers rooting for Kharge either by indirectly attacking Tharoor or by praising Kharge. Kharge also managed to rope in almost the entire top leadership of the party to sign his nomination papers. All this rallying of support in favour of Kharge has left little doubt in the minds of the electors as to who they are expected to vote. It would, therefore, not be wrong to say that Kharge is a Gandhi family proxy, who will be elected as Congress president tomorrow with the help of the family.

# CISF to provide help in last rites of its deceased retirees

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

IN a step to extend assistance to the families of its former personnel on their demise, the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) has decided. The CISF is the last force to implement this measure which was initiated by the Border Security Force in March 2021 and later followed by the other Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) including CRPF, ITBP and SSB.

In a 4 October letter issued by the Directorate General, CISF to all the Sector Inspectors General and training establishments it has been asked to issue necessary directions to the Units of the Force. "The case has been examined at this Directorate and it has been decided that Sector IGs may issue necessary directions to the Units under their administrative Control to provide all necessary assistance to the families of deceased to perform the last rites of the deceased retirees in case of any family member approaches in the unit for assistance in this regard, please.", directs the letter.

The anomaly was brought to the notice of the force in June this year by the Welfare and Rehabilitation Board (WARB) of the CAPFs. The WARB had taken cognisance of the letter written by Ranbir Singh, General Secretary, Confederation of Ex-Paramilitary Forces Welfare Association. Ranbir Singh had written a letter addressed to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and WARB in April 2021 requesting to get the BSF's Standard Operating Procedure implemented in all other CAPFs. Ranbir Singh, while speaking to this newspaper said, "This is an apt way to regard the services of the personnel who dedicate their life towards the safety and security of the people. And, it will also motivate the youth to wear the uniforms."

Under the measure the nearby Unit sends its personnel in Ceremonial Uniforms to pay homage and also extend some financial help to the concerned family.

The CISF was raised in 1969 to provide security to the premises staff along with the security of property and establishments. It provides security to the strategic establishments.

# RSS wing opposes labour codes, awaits govt response

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

THE new labour codes appear to have hit another roadblock with the RSS-affiliated Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh (BMS) raising serious objections to some of the provisions in two codes — Industrial Relations (IR) and the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions.

In a meeting held by the Union Labour Minister Bhupendra Yadav last week, the government failed to iron out differences with central trade unions who expressed doubts on the four labour codes, an issue hanging fire for two years.

As part of its labour reform initiatives, the Union government has merged 29 labour laws into four codes — wages, industrial relations, social security and occupational safety, health and working conditions. While the code on wages was passed in 2019, the other three were passed by Parliament in September 2020.

The implementation of the new labour codes has missed many deadlines since then.

The BMS, the largest trade union in the country, has protested against the anti-worker provisions in these two codes in the past too. Speaking to this paper, BMS chief Hiranmay Pandya said the outfit would take to agitations if the government failed to accept its demands. We will collectively decide on the nature of agitation later. "During our discussion with the Union minister, we spoke to him about our opposition to some of the provisions in the two codes. Though he heard us, we haven't received any response yet," he said. While other central trade unions demand the withdrawal of the four codes, Pandya said they have welcomed the other two codes on wages and social security.

**Union protest against anti-worker provisions**

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Talking about the contentious provisions in the industrial relations code, Pandya said it would only benefit the employer rather than safeguard the interest of the worker. The code, which deals with industrial disputes, trade unions, and safeguards against retrenchments and lay-offs, proposes that companies which employ workers up to 300 can sack people and close units without the approval of the government. Earlier, the threshold was up to 100 workers. "Most Indian companies employ less than 100 staff and this proposal will benefit corporates. Already some of the large corporations are taking advantage of the provision," said Pandya.

He also points out the anti-worker clauses in the code of occupational safety, health and working conditions.

Pandya says that the new code does not allow contract workers in any core activity. They can, however, be employed only in non-core activities such as loading and unloading operations, housekeeping, sanitation, canteen, security and running hospitals, among others.

According to the new code, the limit has been increased to 20 workers for premises where the manufacturing process is carried out using power.

# Army plans 'model posts' for soldiers deployed in tough northern terrains

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

THE Indian Army has embarked on a plan to construct a better habitat "Model Post" for the troops deployed in the difficult terrain of the Northern Borders. A first of its kind model frontline post was commissioned for soldiers in presence of Lt Gen Dinesh Singh Rana, GOC Gajraj Corps on Thursday. The plans is to commission such posts in more areas.

The Post has been planned and constructed using State-of-the-Art indigenous construction technology in record time, said the Army in a Tweet.

"Self contained for energy-renewable hybrid sources, superior amenities, better protection and hygiene facilities in harsh weather conditions in forward & remote areas at nearly 14000 ft," said the Army.

The Chinese have been building habitat and infrastructure fast on their side since the standoff began in May 2020 in

Eastern Ladakh after the PLA troops clashed with the Army soldiers. An officer said, "The soldiers face not just the enemy but also the vagaries of extremely difficult weather in remote, secluded and cut-off posts away from family is very well understood by the Army and the government, it has started getting desired push in the last few years."

"There will be many tangible and intangible benefits of such infrastructure, the most important amongst which would be seen in even higher troop morale and self-esteem especially when the Chinese have been constructing modern military infrastructure at a rapid pace all along our Northern Borders." said the officer.

The troops thus far have been billeted in pre-fabricated shelters or living bunkers prepared by the Indian Army Engineers.

**ODISHA**

## India's first aluminium rail rake flagged off

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

UNION Railway minister Ashwini Vaishnaw on Sunday flagged off the country's first aluminium-made freight rail rake at Bhubneshwar in Odisha. The Ministry of Railway through a statement said that the first aluminium made freight rail rake has been made with higher corrosion and abrasion resistance capacity, which will reduces the maintenance cost to railway.

After flagging off the rake, Vaishnaw said: "This is a proud moment for the country and our drive for indigenisation as there lightweight aluminium wagons are a big innovation for Indian Railways."

Speaking the features of this aluminium, rail rake, and the minister further said that these wagons save 14,500 tonnes of $CO_2$ emissions and have more carrying capacity.

# In healthy offerings to devotees, 700 temples to distribute certified prasad

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

AS many as 700 Places of Worship (PoWs) in India, the maximum in Tamil Nadu, have been provided with the food safety license as part of the BHOG initiative by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) for adopting and maintaining food safety and hygienic 'prasad' and food.

Among the PoWs that have been provided with the coveted certificates for providing safe and hygienic 'prasad' and food include the famed and iconic Mahakaleshwar Temple, Ujjain, Vaishno Devi temple, Jammu, Kedarnath temple, Uttarakhand, Rameshwaram temple, Tamil Nadu, Siddhivinayak temple, Mumbai, Akshardham Temple both in Delhi and Ahmedabad and Kashi Vishwanath temple, Varanasi.

Interestingly, out of the 700 PoWs, Tamil Nadu alone has 576 such places of worship that have been given these certificates. Officials at the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), a statutory body under the Health Ministry, said they hope to add another 100 PoWs by the end of this year under the BHOG or Blissful Hygienic Offering to God initiative.

"In three months, we will add 100 more PoWs. We already have 50-60 in the queue for getting the certificates," the official told this newspaper.

It was observed that there are many small, small temples in Tamil Nadu which distribute 'prasad' to devotees, and they were the ones who opted for the voluntary programme. "It is impressive to see that even small temples in Tamil Nadu have adopted this voluntary programme," the official added.

After Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh (52) has the maximum number of PoWs who are part of the programme. It is followed by Gujarat (47), Himachal Pradesh (29), and Maharashtra (15). The other states are — Madhya Pradesh (11), Delhi (11), Karnataka (8), and Uttarakhand (4).

The BHOG initiative was launched in 2018 as part of the Eat Right India initiative, a large-scale effort to transform the country's food system to ensure safe, healthy and sustainable food for all Indians.

Under the programme, FSSAI issues certificates to places of worship handling food in packed form, loose meals, etc.

**NGT FINES J&K ADMIN**

The NGT has directed the Jammu and Kashmir administration to pay a compensation of `35 crore for discharge of untreated sewage into Doodh Ganga and Mamath Kull streams

3 STUDENTS OF KOTA COACHING INSTITUTE POSITIVE FOR HEPATITIS

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| Bhopal | 31 | 17 | Panaji | 29 | 26 |
| Jaipur | 33 | 18 | Patna | 33 | 21 |
| Amritsar | 35 | 18 | Lucknow | 33 | 21 |
| Chennai | 31 | 24 | Port Blair | 29 | 25 |
| Kolkata | 33 | 24 | Imphal | 31 | 19 |
| Srinagar | 27 | 07 | Chandigarh | 33 | 19 |

# BJP hits blind alley in Andheri-East bypoll

MNS, NCP back Uddhav Thackeray candidate to win unopposed

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

FOR the Maharashtra BJP, the Andheri-East by-election is proving to be the trickiest one. Rutuja Latke, the candidate for the Uddhav Thackeray-led Shiv Sena, has got support of Sharad Pawar's NCP, plus surprise backing from MNS chief Raj Thackeray, Uddhav's estranged cousin.

The other Sena party led by CM Eknath Shinde has already declared that it won't contest and back the BJP candidate. That means all major Maharashtra-specific parties are arrayed against BJP.

Raj has written to BJP's Deputy CM Devendra Fadnavis requesting him to let Rutuja win Andheri-East unopposed. The MNS chief in his largely "recommendatory" letter said Ramesh Latke, whose death led to the by-election, was an efficient Sena activist and rose through the ranks.

"I have witnessed his journey and growth in the political arena. If his family member is fighting the by-election, then she should be supported by all. That will be a tribute to the departed soul," Raj said. "As a part of Maharashtra culture, we should avoid a contest against the deceased person's family member," he said.

A few hours after Raj's appeal, NCP chief Sharad Pawar too declared his party's support to Rutuja. "I personally feel that we should keep aside political differences. Rutuja Latke should be elected unopposed. When BJP's Gopinath Munde passed away, the NCP had decided not to contest against the Munde family member," Pawar said. He hoped BJP had the time to withdraw its candidate, Murji Patel.

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Sources said two contradictory opinions prevail within the BJP. While one wants to contest, the other believes it is better to stay away. "Mumbai BJP chief Ashish Shelar was the first to announce Murji Patel's nomination despite some reluctance within the party. Murji Patel is Shelar's close associate. However, Deputy CM Devendra Fadnavis has some reservations. He believes, sources said, that in case Uddhav's party wins, it would give a major advantage to the former CM in the prestigious Brihanmubai Municipal Corporation elections.

PUNJAB

## Mantri's pilot car hits 2-wheeler, two injured

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chandigarh

A boy and a girl on a two-wheeler were severely injured on Saturday after being hit by a speeding escort vehicle of Punjab Cabinet Minister Dr Baljit Kaur. The minister was on her way to a wedding when the accident took place. On Sunday, Kaur visited the government hospital in Sector-32 Chandigarh to enquire about their condition.

Sources said a Maruti Gypsy, which was part of the cavalcade of Dr Kaur, hit the scooter at Sector 27-28 intersection.

Sources said the driver of the escort vehicle lost control of his vehicle and stopped on the footpath. The driver was also injured. The scooter riders were rushed to the hospital in a private vehicle. When the accident took place, the official car of the minister had crossed the traffic light.

Sources said the Chandigarh police have not yet registered a case. Dr Kaur said while the girl has been discharged, the boy was being operated on and is "out of danger."

"I have asked the family members that I will bear the entire cost of the treatment," said the minister after visiting the injured.

# Former Punjab minister arrested on bribery charge

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

FORMER Punjab minister Sunder Sham Arora was arrested by the state Vigilance Bureau for allegedly offering a bribe of ₹50 lakh to one of its officers to "settle" the ongoing inquiries involving him, a senior official said on Sunday.

The case involved "irregularities" in allotment of industrial plots of the Punjab Small Industries and Export Corporatio, including, the auction of industrial land which was earlier allotted to JCT.

Arora recently joined BJP and is the third former minister to be arrested by the AAP government. Two former ministers were earlier arrested in alleged corruption cases.

Arora has been facing inquiries in a disproportionate assets case and alleged irregularities during his tenure as industries minister in the previous Capt Amarinder Singh government. He joined the BJP after quitting Congress in June this year. Vigilance Bureau officials reportedly recovered the bribe money that Arora had allegedly offered to vigilance officials to let him go scot-free.

Additional DGP-cum-Chief Director (Vigilance Bureau), Varinder Kumar said a case under Section 8 of the Prevention of Corruption Act has been registered against Arora on the complaint of Manmohan Kumar Sharma, Assistant Inspector General of Police (Vigilance Bureau), Flying Squad.

In his complaint, Kumar said Arora met him last Friday and offered him ₹1 crore to clear his name in a vigilance case registered against him. Varinder said the former minister had offered to pay Rs 50 lakh next day and the remaining amount later. "After Sharma brought it to the notice of his seniors, a trap was laid to arrest Arora. He was caught red-handed when he tried to hand over a bag containing ₹50 lakh cash.

### Irregularities in plot allottment

The case involved irregularities in allotment of industrial plots of the Punjab Small Industries and Export Corporation, including, the auction of industrial land, which was earlier allotted to JCT. Arora recently joined BJP and is the third former minister to be arrested by the AAP government

## RANCHI DIARY

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### JD-U striving to get recognised in state

After parting ways from the NDA fold, Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar led Janata Dal (United) is now striving to get his party recognised in neighbouring Jharkhand for which it has started making efforts by strengthen the party. JDU insiders revealed that Nitish Kumar will be holding a grand rally in Jharkhand very soon targeting OBC voters – a traditional vote bank of BJP and its alliance partner AJSU. In this course, Nitish had said that the party is eyeing districts like Giridih, Baghmara, Chhatarpur, Tamar and Daltonganj. Keeping the 2024 Assembly polls in mind, the party also looks to rake in support of Bihari migrant population elsewhere in the country.

### Green pledge as part of Run-a-Thon

Steel giant Tata Steel has taken a decision to plant one sapling for every registration done for its marquee run 'Jamshedpur Run-a-Thon' scheduled on November 20 at JRD Tata Sports Complex in Jamshedpur. According to sources, the move to connect plantation with running is being done to promote the cause of sustainability. The last physical edition of the event was organised in 2019, wherein more than 4,500 participants participated across three categories, representing 14 Indian states. In 2020 and 2021, the virtual Run-a-Thon was organised to ensure continuity and keep the running community engaged.

### Greet villagers with *Johar*: Soren to babus

Chief Minister Hemant Soren has directed bureaucrats to keep in mind the local language and culture of villagers and greet them with '*johar*' – a tribal word meaning salutation. Soren, while interacting with deputy commissioners of all 24 districts through video-conference on Thursday, also asked them to ensure the success of the second phase of the 'Aapki Yojana, Aapki Sarkar, Aapke Dwar' campaign. Soren said if local language and culture is kept in mind while interacting with villagers, it would help bridge the gap between government officials and the masses.

# U'khand: Decks cleared for Kedarnath ropeway

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

THE way for the much-awaited Kedarnath ropeway has been cleared. The project has been approved by the National Board for wildlife. The project will cost ₹1,000 crore.

The number of tourists in the state is expected to increase once theconstruction of the ropeway is completed, which will also give a big boost to religious tourism.

Speaking about the project to be built under the 'Parvatmala Project', R K Sudhanshu, principal secretary, forest and PWD department, told this newspaper, "The National Board for Wildlife has approved the construction of the ropeway in the Kedarnath sanctuary area".

"The board has also given the green signal to Kedarnath's foot trek and Hemkund Sahib ropeway project. These projects will be constructed under the 'Parvatmala Project' of the central government. A total of 26 hectares will be acquired in this project", added Sudhanshu. After the construction of the ropeway to Kedarnath, the journey from Sonprayag to Kedarnath will be completed in just 30 minutes. The ropeway will have a capacity to carry 5,000 passengers per hour. The National Board for Wildlife has also approved the construction of a 5.5-km walkway track from Rambara to Garudchatti. This route was completely damaged in the 2013 disaster.

Also, the Hemkund Sahib ropeway has also been approved as it does not fall with in the periphery of Gurdwara Hemkund Sahib Century area, so the project has automatically got the green signal.

Expressing satisfaction over the decision of the National Board for Wildlife, minister Ajayendra Ajay, chairman of the Badri Kedar Temple Committee, said, "The ropeway would be an accessible medium for lakhs of pilgrims who cannot afford helicopters or other expensive means."

# Row over Hijab rocks Bihar college

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

A section of girl students in Bihar's Muzaffarpur was reportedly asked to take off the 'hijab' (headscarf) before being allowed to enter the examination hall on Sunday.

The incident took place at Mahanth Darshan Das Mahila College in Muzaffarpurwhen girl students had gone to appear for intermediate internal examination.

Thegirls accused a teacher Ravi Bhushan of pressurizing them to take off their 'hijab'at the main entrance of the college. The teacher allegedly told the girls that they were carrying electronic devices with them to rig the examination.

Apparently irked over the teacher's remark, the examinees created a scene and called their guardians. The college authorities had to seek the help of police to bring the situation under control. The girls alleged that they were called 'traitors' and 'Pakistanis' by the teacher.

# BJP sure to win Gujarat, will break all records, says Thakur

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Ahmedabad

Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur on Sunday said that there is a "huge BJP wave" in Gujarat and this time the party will break all previous records and form the government.

He also said the BJP government at the Centre led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi will "come back to power in 2024" by winning more than 400 parliamentary seats.

At BJP's 'Gaurav Yatra' in Malvan village in Gujarat's Valsad district, Thakur said it was under the leadership of Modi that Hindu symbols were honoured and Ram temple in Ayodhya became a reality. "There is a huge BJP wave in Gujarat and this time the party will break all records," Thakur said on Saturday addressing a meeting during the yatra.

Thakur hailed PM Modi for launching digital banking units and said it will further ease the process of banking for the general public.

Anurag Thakur at BJP's 'Gaurav Yatra' in Malvan village in Valsad district

He addressed three public meetings in Surendranagar and Wadhwa in the poll-bound state, launching fierce attacks on the Congress and the AAP.

Attacking the Congress and the Aam Aadmi Party, he alleged that earlier an "Italian woman" used to "insult" the prime minister now "an Italia is insulting his mother".

Though he did not name either, the apparent targets of his tirade were Sonia Gandhi, who was born in Italy, and the AAP's Gujarat unit head Gopal Italia.

Gujarat did not accept this "insult" earlier and it will not accept it now, he said, adding that "Gujarat will give a befitting reply".

The AAP's Gujarat president has been under the BJP fire for the past few days over his comments. Italia was on Thursday detained for nearly three hours by Delhi Police after he appeared before the NCW in connection with his alleged comments against Modi. In an old video that emerged on Thursday, Italia is purportedly heard mocking Modi's mother.

IMAGE MAKEOVER

# *Back to school for graft-ridden Bengal panchayats*

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

EMBARRASSED by the alleged corruption by panchayat functionaries that has forced Centre's pause on the release of funds under MGNREGA scheme, West Bengal government, for the first time, has decided to include the issue of "malpractice and its consequences" in the training syllabus for the elected in the three-tier panchayat elections due next year.

After rural elections, the panchayat department organises training sessions for newly-elected representatives to teach them about the projects and schemes, and the ways of their implementation through the three-tier system—gram panchayat, panchayat samiti and zilla parishad. In the new syllabus, elected will not only be directed to maintain transparency while implementing schemes but will also be instructed about be consequences in case of violation of the rule-book. "The process of the training syllabus in a new format has already been started. The representatives will be taught about the project cost for floating e-tenders and other issues," said an official.

Elaborating on what prompted the panchayat department to induct corruption issue in the syllabus, an officer said, "Taking a cue from the large-scale complaints of corruption by panchayat functionaries which have embarrassed the ruling Trinamool Congress and chief minister Mamata Banerjee, the state government has decided to take a number of image makeover initiatives. Nabanna, the state secretariat, wants to implement both central state projects maintaining transparency. So the new syllabus will be aimed at corruption-free panchayat system."

"Recently, finance department issued a notification saying e-tendering is mandatory for any project above Rs 1 lakh. The new syllabus will mention if this rule is violated, stern action will be taken," said another official of panchayat department.

The state government has been facing fund crunch after the Centre decided to not release funds under the MGNREGA scheme. The Centre stopped releasing fund from December last year and it is yet to approve the state's labour budget for the 2022-23 fiscal. Last month, the government, which is burdened with ₹ 70,000 crore debt, had passed a bill to enhance its borrowing capacity by amending the West Bengal Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act, 2010.

### *ON THE SYLLABUS*

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# 2-day Kumaon lit fest in Srinagar to bring creative minds together

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE two-day Kumaon Literary Festival (KLF), India's most coveted and travelling literary festival, will be held in Srinagar on October 19-20.

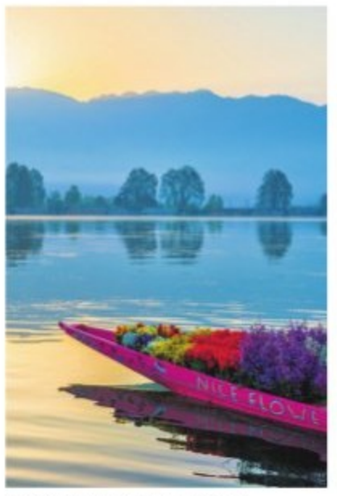
The KLF is one of the first travelling literary festivals in the country which brings together creative minds to offer insights on matters relevant to literature and cultural life as a nation.

The literary festival is being held by KLF in association with Kashmir's Yumberzal Applied Research Institute (KYARI), which focuses on research on developmental issues in J&K.

Arhan Bagati, founder KYARI told this newspaper that authors, filmmakers, actors, chefs from all over the country are coming to Srinagar to attend the two-day literary festival.

The festival, which will be inaugurated by Lt Governor Manoj Sinha, will feature various sessions on literature, cinema, art and culture.

Bagati, who is a Kashmiri Pandit and shifted his base to Srinagar last year, said Dr Bibek Debroy, the chairman of PM Economic Advisory Council (EAC), Dr Sachidanand Joshi, member secretary, the executive and academic head of IGNCA and many other prominent persons will also be attending the Literary Festival to share their experience and expertise.



The 2-day festival will begin in Srinagar on October 19 | KYARI

### Authors, filmmakers and actors to join

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He said this is the biggest literary festival that is being organized in Kashmir and the first literary festival being oganized by his organization – KYARI.

The books to be discussed at the literary festival include 'Kishore Kumar: The Ultimate Biography' by Parthiv Dhar and Anirudha Bhattacharjee, 'The Magicians of Mazda' by Ashwin Sanghi, 'The Mystic and the Lyric: Four Women Poets from Kashmir' by Neerja Mattoo, 'Inked in India-Fountain Pens and A story of Make and Unmake' by Bibek Debroy and Sovan Roy, 'Raj Kapoor – The Master at Work' by Rahul Rawail, 'Letters to Self by Narendra Modi', Translation by Bhawana Somaaya, 'The Stars in My Sky' by Divya Dutta among others.

# USING FORCE TO TAKE TAIWAN NOT OFF THE TABLE: XI

## The Chinese President vowed to intensify troop training and strengthen the military

**BEIJING**

AS he is set for a record third five-year term in power and perhaps for life, President Xi Jinping on Sunday warned that China will 'not renounce the use of force' to unify Taiwan with the mainland and vowed to advance the modernisation of the country's military to 'world-class standards' to protect national sovereignty, security and developmental interests. "We will not renounce the use of force and will take all necessary measures to stop all separatist movements in Taiwan," Xi said on the opening day of the week-long key once-in-a-five-year Congress of the ruling Communist Party of China (CPC).

Except for Xi, all the top leaders of the party, including the number two leader Premier Li Keqiang, would be replaced or reshuffled during the Congress as Xi is completing 10-year tenure.

Xi's pledge to complete the reunification of China, which means the merger of Taiwan with the Chinese mainland, received a prolonged round of applause from over 2,300 elected delegates attending the Congress.

Xi said the party must stand firm on its strategy to resolve the Taiwan issue and be determined to reunify the nation. "Resolving the Taiwan question is a matter for the Chinese, a matter that must be resolved by the Chinese," he said. Xi further said that the Chinese military headed by him will intensify troop training and combat preparedness to fight and win besides creating a strong system of 'strategic deterrence.'

"We will intensify troop training and enhance combat preparedness across the board to see that our people's armed forces can fight and win," he said.

The plans outlined by him acquire significance for the Indian military forces considering the frictions at the Sino-Indian border, especially in eastern Ladakh since May 2020. Xi did not mention a particular country when he referred to local wars and border issues.

"We will establish a strong system of strategic deterrence, increase the proportion of new domain forces..., speed up the development of unmanned, intelligent combat capabilities and promote coordinated development and application of the network information system," he said. *PTI*


# भारतीय वायु सेना / Indian Air Force

**INVITES APPLICATIONS FROM UNMARRIED INDIAN MALE CANDIDATES FOR SELECTION TEST FOR AGNIVEERVAYU NON-COMBATANT INTAKE 01/2022 UNDER AGNIPATH SCHEME**

**LAST DATE FOR APPLICATION : 25 OCT 2022**

AGNIVEERVAYU NON-COMBATANT

**CAUTION**

**SELECTION IN THE INDIAN AIR FORCE IS 'FAIR & TRANSPARENT' AND ON MERIT ONLY. AT NO STAGE ANY BRIBE IS REQUIRED TO BE PAID TO ANYONE FOR SELECTION OR RECRUITMENT IN THE INDIAN AIR FORCE. CANDIDATES SHOULD NOT FALL PREY TO UNSCRUPULOUS PERSONS POSING AS RECRUITING/SELECTING AGENTS.**

**IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION TO CANDIDATES**

1. Indian Air Force invites application from eligible unmarried Indian male citizens for selection of Agniveervayu Non-Combatant in Hospitality **or** Housekeeping streams. Job profile of Hospitality stream will comprise of Cook & Mess Waiter. Job profile of Housekeeping stream will comprise of Safaiwala, Lascar, Washer Up, Water Carrier, Barber, Dhobi, Mochi, Tailor and Watchmen.

2. **The completed applications, as per the given format, may be submitted by normal post/drop box to/at any one of the following addresses, to reach on or before 25 Oct 2022. Candidates are permitted to apply at only one location. Applications submitted to more than one address will be rejected. Applications received after due date will not be accepted. All queries should also be addressed as follows:-**

| | |
|---|---|
| Postal address/ Queries | Station Commander, Air Force Station Chimney Hills Chikkabanawara post , Bangalore– 560090 |
| Drop Box | Main Guard Room, Air Force Station Chimney Hills Chikkabanawara post , Bangalore-560090 |
| Stream Available | Hospitality |

3. Following documents are to be attached with the application:-
   (a) Class 10th / matriculation passing certificate.
   (b) Passport size recent colour photograph (taken not before **Jul 2022**) (front portrait in light background without head gear except for Sikhs). The photograph is to be taken with candidate holding a black slate in front of his chest with his name and date of photograph taken, clearly written on it with white chalk in capital letters.
   (c) Consent certificate by Parents/Legal guardian is required for the candidate below 18 years of age.
   (d) The candidates should carry his AADHAR Card (as displayed on their Admit Card) as proof of identity whenever they report for the Selection Test. Candidates from J&K, Assam and Meghalaya are to carry any other valid ID Proof.

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

4. **Age.**
   (a) **Date of Birth Block**. Candidate born between **31 Dec 1999** and **30 Jun 2005** (both days inclusive) are eligible to apply.
   (b) In case, a candidate clears all the stages of the Selection Procedure, then the **upper age limit as on date of enrolment should be 23 years** for enrolment cycle of 2022.

5. **Marital Status.** Only unmarried Indian male candidates are eligible for enrolment as Agniveervayu Non-Combatant in IAF. Candidates must undertake not to marry until completion of their ab-initio training.A candidate may be dismissed from service if he marries during ab-initio training or is found to be already married in spite of giving an undertaking regarding the same.

6. **Educational Qualification**
   Candidates should have passed **Matriculation / Equivalent examination** from an Education Board listed as COBSE member.
   **Note - Education Boards listed in Council of Boards for School Education (COBSE) website as members, as on date of registration shall only be considered.**

7. **Mandatory Medical Standards**. General Medical Standards for AGNIVEERVAYU NON-COMBATANT are as follows:-
   (a) **Height:** Minimum acceptable height is **152.5 cms**
   (b) **Chest:** Minimum range of expansion: 5 cm
   (c) **Weight:** Proportionate to height and age.
   (d) **Corneal Surgery (PRK/LASIK)** is not acceptable. Vision requirements as applicable as per Indian Air Force standards.
   (e) **Hearing:** Candidate should have normal hearing i.e. able to hear forced whisper from a distance of 6 meters with each ear separately.
   (f) **Dental:** Should have healthy gums, good set of teeth and minimum 14 dental points.
   (g) **General Health:** Candidate should be of normal anatomy without loss of any appendages. He should be free from any active or latent, acute or chronic, medical or surgical disability or infection and skin ailments. Candidate shall be physically and mentally FIT to perform duty in any part of the world, in any climate and terrain.

8. **Consumption of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substance (NDPS).** Consumption of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic substances banned under the NDPS Act 1985 **shall be a reject criteria for selection into the IAF** and AGNIVEERVAYU NON-COMBATANT found either in possession or storing or distributing or consuming such drugs and substances after enrolment shall be liable for disciplinary action including dismissal from the IAF. **ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY TO ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE IS FOLLOWED IN IAF.**

9. **Body Tattoo.** Permanent body tattoos shall not be permitted, however, tattoos only on inner face of the fore arms (inside of elbow to the wrist), back (dorsal) part of the hand/reverse side of palm and for Tribal tattoos which are as per custom and traditions of their tribes may be considered. However, right to decide on acceptability/unacceptability of the individual shall rest with the Selection Centre. **Candidates with permanent body tattoos shall submit two photographs (close up and distant view) with details of size and type of the Tattoo, during the second phase of Selection Test.**

10. **Only Sikh candidates**, whose religion prohibits cutting of the hair or shaving of face, shall be permitted to grow hair and/or retain beard and moustache. Accordingly, those Sikh candidates willing to retain the same as per laid down specification are to get their photographs with beard and moustache. Such candidates will not be permitted to shave beard/moustache at later stage after enrolment.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

11. **AGNIVEERVAYU NON-COMBATANT** will be enrolled in the Indian Air Force under Air Force Act 1950, for a period of four years. **AGNIVEERVAYU NON-COMBATANT** would form a distinct rank in the Indian Air Force, different from any other existing ranks. Indian Air Force is not obliged to retain AGNIVEERVAYU NON-COMBATANT beyond the engagement period of four years.

12. On completion of four years of service, based on organisation's requirements and policies promulgated by the Indian Air Force, AGNIVEERVAYU NON-COMBATANT will be offered an opportunity to apply for permanent enrolment in the Indian Air Force as NC(E). These applications will be considered in a centralised manner based on objective criteria including performance during their four year engagement period and up to 25% of each specific batch of AGNIVEERVAYU NON-COMBATANT will be enrolled in regular cadre of IAF. **AGNIVEERVAYU NON-COMBATANT will not have any right to be selected for further enrolment into the Indian Air Force. Selection of the AGNIVEERVAYU NON-COMBATANT for further enrolment, if any, shall be at the discretion of the Government.**

13. **Employability**. Agniveervayu Non-Combatant enrolled under this entry are liable to be assigned specific duty in organisational interest, at the discretion of the Indian Air Force. He will be deployed on the jobs related to the following:-
   (a) **Hospitality Stream**. In this stream the individual will be required to undertake all activities associated with cooking, kitchen management, presentation of dishes and serving them, maintain sanitized and orderly environment in the kitchen, safe storage of food and other items , handling of crockery, cutlery, refrigeration etc., laying of tables / chairs and serving of food, water etc.
   (b) **Housekeeping Stream**. In this stream the individual will be responsible for cleaning of floors/roads/rooms/bathroom/commodes/urinals etc., making of brooms, grass/ hedge cutting, ground leveling/ digging of trenches, watering of garden, washing of utensils/ clothes, filling & carrying of water, handling of office equipment, hair cutting, shaving, head massage, ironing clothes, stitching of leather items/sole making/ repair knowledge/uses of mochi tools, shoe polishing, cutting/stitching/alteration/darning of garments and making ribbons, badges etc.

14. **Training**. On being enrolled, Agniveervayu Non-Combatant will be imparted specific job training as per allotted stream based on Indian Air Force requirements.

15. **Leave**. Grant of leave will be subject to exigencies of Indian Air Force. The following leave is applicable for Agniveervayu Non-Combatant during their engagement period:-
   (a) **Annual Leave**. 30 days per year.
   (b) **Sick Leave**. Based on medical advice.

16. **Pay, Allowances and Allied Benefits**. Agniveervayu Non-Combatant enrolled under this Scheme will be paid an Agniveer package of Rs. 30,000/- per month with a fixed yearly increment. In addition, Risk and Hardship allowances (as applicable in IAF), Dress and Travel allowances will be paid.

17. **Terminal Benefits - Seva Nidhi Package**. Agniveervayu Non-Combatant will be given one time **'Seva Nidhi'** package comprising their monthly contribution along with matching contribution by the Government on completion of their engagement period, as follows:-

| Year | Customised Package (Monthly) | In Hand (70%) | Contribution to Agniveers Corpus Fund (30%) | Contribution to Corpus fund by GoI |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All Figures in Rs. (Monthly Contribution) (Approximately) | | | | |
| 1st Year | 30,000/- | 21,000/- | 9,000/- | 9,000/- |
| 2nd Year | 33,000/- | 23,100/- | 9,900/- | 9,900/- |
| 3rd Year | 36,500/- | 25,550/- | 10,950/- | 10,950/- |
| 4th Year | 40,000/- | 28,000/- | 12,000/- | 12,000/- |
| All Figures in Rs. (Monthly Contribution) (Approximately) | | | | |
| Total Contribution in Agniveers Corpus Fund after four years | | | Rs. 5.02 lakh | Rs. 5.02 lakh |
| Exit after 4 years | **Approximately Rs. 10.04 Lakhs as Seva Nidhi Package** (Absolute amount excluding interest) | | | |

**Note 1**: Agniveervayu Non-Combatant will not be required to contribute to any Provident Fund of the Government.
**Note 2**: There shall be no entitlement to gratuity and any kind of pensionary benefits.

18. **Medical and CSD Facilities**. For the duration of their engagement period in Indian Air Force, Agniveervayu Non-Combatant will be entitled for medical facility at Service Hospitals as well as CSD provisions.

19. **Insurance, Death and Disability Compensation**. Agniveervayu Non-Combatant will be provided non-contributory Life Insurance cover of Rs. 48 Lakhs for the duration of their engagement period as Agniveervayu Non-Combatant in the Indian Air Force. Agniveervayu Non-Combatant will not be governed by provisions contained in the Pension Regulations/Rules for Indian Air Force.

20. **Agniveer Skill Certificate**. At the end of engagement period, a detailed Skill-Set certificate will be provided to the Agniveervayu Non-Combatant, highlighting the skills and level of competency acquired by the personnel during their engagement period.

21. Personnel enrolled under this Scheme will not be eligible for Ex-Servicemen status.

**SEQUENCE OF EXAMINATION**

22. **Selection Test**. The test will be conducted at **Air Force Station Chimney Hills, Chikkabanawara Post, Bangalore-560090, (Landmark-Sapthgiri Engg College Hessarghatta Road)**. To qualify in the Agniveervayu Non-combatant selection test, a candidate has to score minimum 50% marks in each part (written test & Stream Proficiency Test). Exam pattern is as follows:-
   (a) Written Test : 20 Marks
   (b) Stream Proficiency test : 30 Marks
   (c) Physical fitness test : Qualifying nature
   (d) Medical Examination : Fit/Unfit

23. Written test will be common for all the streams. The subject wise breakdown of written test are as follows:-

| Subject | Marks |
|---|---|
| (a) General English | 10 |
| (b) General Knowledge | 10 |

24. **Documents Required for Verification During Selection Test at Exam Centre**
   (a) Character certificate signed by Gazetted Officer / Panchayat Officer / Principal of school (if studied during last 01 year only)/ Principal of College (if studying/studied during last 01 year), not older than 6 month and must have the office seal of the issuing officer.
   (b) Original matriculation passing certificate **(required for verification of candidate's name, father's name and his date of birth).**
   (c) Original matriculation marks sheet.
   **Note 1**: Candidate discharged from the IAF for any reason are not eligible to appear in the selection test.
   **Note-2**: The original passing certificates/marks sheets shall not be retained by the Selection Centre. The same shall be returned to the candidates on completion of detailed verification.
   **Note-3**: Internet copy of mark-sheet not acceptable.

25. **Physical Fitness Criteria.** 1.6 Km run to be completed within 6 minutes 30 seconds. Candidates will also have to complete 10 push-ups, 10 sit-ups and 20 squats within stipulated time as per the following:-

| Test | Max Time Period | Remarks |
|---|---|---|
| 10 Push-ups | 01 Minute | Test will be conducted after 10 minutes break on completion of run |
| 10 Sit-ups | 01 Minute | Test will be conducted after 02 minutes break on completion of 10 Push-ups |
| 20 Squats | 01 Minute | Test will be conducted after 02 minutes break on completion of 10 Sit-ups |

**Note:** Candidates are advised to bring their **sports shoes** and **shorts/track pants.**

26. Candidates shall sign a consent form prior to appearing in physical fitness test/medical test for selection in IAF. He shall appear in these tests at his own risk and shall not be paid any compensation by IAF for injury/casualty if any, sustained by him during such tests. The consent form shall be signed by parents/guardian of candidates below 18 years of age.

27. **Medical Examination**. Candidates who qualify initial screening test shall be medically examined at designated place. Medical examination shall be conducted by Air Force Medical Team as per IAF medical standards and policy in vogue on subject issue. Medical examination would also include Baseline Investigation of:-
   (a) Blood Haemogram - Hb, TLC, DLC .
   (b) Urine RE/ME.
   (c) Biochemistry :-
      (i) Blood Sugar Fasting & PP.
      (ii) Serum Cholesterol.
      (iii) Urea, Uric acid, Creatinine.
      (iv) LFT- Serum Bilurubin, SGOT, SGPT .
   (d) X- Ray chest (PA view) .
   (e) ECG (R).
   (f) Any other test necessary in the opinion of the Medical Officer.

28. The recruitment medical officer and the specialist doctors of Armed Forces are the final authorities on declaring a candidate fit or unfit during initial medical examination, appeal medical board and medical examination prior to enrolment. The candidates shall be governed by Armed Forces standards which may be at variance from civil standards. There is no provision for representation or review after the declaration of unfit by medical authority.

**Note**. Candidates are advised to get tartar and stains removed from their teeth before appearing for the Medical Examination. Ears should be free of wax. Candidates should be prepared to stay for the medical test for four to five days under their own arrangement. No TA/DA shall be admissible. Candidates using corrective glasses must be in possession of prescription from ophthalmologist bearing stamp and registration number and it should not be more than one month old. Passing in the medical examination is not a guarantee for employment in Indian Air Force.

**General.**

29. **General instructions for candidates are as follows:-**
   (a) Candidates not reporting for the test on due date and time shall not be accommodated on other dates/shifts.
   (b) Duplicate / Incomplete / erroneously filled applications shall be **rejected.**
   (c) **Candidates should be prepared to stay for the entire duration of the tests** under their own arrangement. **No TA/DA shall be admissible.**
   (d) Mobile phones / smart watches / electronic gadgets shall not be permitted in the examination hall.

30. **COVID-19 Instructions for Candidates appearing for Selection Test.**
   (a) Given the risk of COVID-19, candidates are advised to follow all instructions / guidelines issued by Central/State Governments from time to time.
   (b) At the entrance any candidate showing symptoms of Influenza Like Illness (ILI), will not be allowed for the test considering the safety of other persons.

31. If there is any variation between English & Hindi/any other regional language versions of the advertisement, English version shall be taken as authentic.

**HOW TO APPLY**

32. **Application as per attached format duly filled in all respect to be forwarded to any one address as indicated at Para 2 above. A self-addressed envelope with Rs 10 stamp affixed should be forwarded along with application for dispatch of admit card for written examination.**

33. **ENROLMENT LIST / CALL LETTER.** List of candidates finally called for enrolment in **AGNIVEERVAYU NON-COMBATANT INTAKE 01/2022** will be published at **Air Force Station Chimney Hills**. Call letter to the finally selected candidates will be forwarded by postal mail.

**APPLICATION FORM**
**(TO BE FILLED IN CAPITALS)**

Paste one Self-attested Passport size photograph

**Registration No.** _____ **Roll No.** _____ **Stream applied for** _____
**(To be filled by ASC / CASB)**

1. (a) Name of the applicant _____ (As per Matriculation Certificate)
   (b) Aadhar Card No. _____
   (Candidate should enter Aadhar number. Candidates from J&K, Assam and Meghalaya are exempted for the same)
2. (a) Father's Name _____ (As per Matriculation Certificate)
   (b) Father's Profession _____
   (c) Mother's Name _____
3. Date of Birth _____ (As per Matriculation Certificate) Age as on date of application _____(Years and months) **(Attach copy of Xth Pass Certificate for proof)**
4. Nationality: _____
5. Marital status : Married / Unmarried
6. Body Tattoo (any parts of body): _____ (Yes / No)
7. Address for correspondence : _____
   Email ID _____
   Mob No. _____
8. Permanent Address : _____
9. Educational Qualification

| | Board / University | Certificate No. |
|---|---|---|
| X | | |
| XII | | |

10. Language(s) you can read and write (a) _____ (b) _____
11. Details of past service _____
12. Present Occupation : (if any) _____
13. Is your father deceased/ retired/ serving AF Person? (Airman/ NC(E)/ Civilian) If so, enclose copy of certificate from Adjt/ O I/C Civil Admin/ Discharge Certificate/ pension orders.
14. Experience, if any, in the stream applied for _____(Year and months) **(Attach the copy of certificate as proof).**

**Date:** Signature of applicant

**CERTIFICATE BY APPLICANT**

**Certified that:**
(a) The information given above is true to the best of my knowledge.
(b) I am willing to be posted to anywhere in India to perform duties as per stream allotted to me.
(c) I am willing/unwilling to change my stream for which I have applied for.
(d) I am aware that if the certificates submitted by me are found to be fake, the necessary disciplinary action for fraudulent enrolment would be initiated against me.

Date : Signature of applicant

**Note:** Fill in capital letters

**DETAILS OF CERTIFICATES ATTACHED (To be filled by applicant)**

(a) Certificate of date of birth X pass certificate Yes / No
(b) Certificate of experience Yes / No
(c) Character Certificate (Not older than six months) Yes / No

**CONSENT CERTIFICATE BY PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN**
**(FOR CANDIDATES BELOW 18 YEARS OF AGE)**

I, _____ hereby give my open consent for my son/dependent _____ to undergo the physical test for selection of Agniveervayu Non Combatant at his own risk. In case my son/dependent sustains any type of injury during the process of test, I shall not claim any damages or treatment from the IAF.

Sign of Candidate
Date:

Signature of applicant's Parent/Legal Guardian
Date:

**CONSENT CERTIFICATE BY CANDIDATE**
**(FOR CANDIDATES ABOVE 18 YEARS OF AGE)**

I, _____ hereby give my open consent to undergo the physical test for selection of Agniveervayu Non Combatant at my own risk. In case I sustain any type of injury during the process of test, I shall not claim any damage or treatment from the IAF.

Date: Signature of Candidate

**CERTIFICATE BY CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER / SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**
**(OPTIONAL)**

It is certified that Shri _____ S/O Shri _____ Stn / Unit Registration No. _____ is working in _____ (NPFs/Messes/Other AF Ventures) since _____ years and _____ months as _____

Date : Chief Administrative Officer / Senior Administrative Officer
Place : Unit

**ADMIT CARD**

Paste a self attested photograph

Stream applied for : .....
1. Name .....
2. Aadhar Card No..... (Candidate should enter Aadhar number. Candidates from J&K, Assam and Meghalaya are exempted for the same)
3. Father's Name.....
4. Address for correspondence (to be filled same as per column 7 of application form)
   House No. .....
   Street/Village .....
   Post Office ..... Distt .....
   State ..... Pin Code .....
5. Registration No. ..... Date and time of Written / PFT / Stream Proficiency Test .....
6. Venue of Written / PFT / Stream Proficiency Test .....

Unit Stamp

Date : Signature of Presiding Officer of the BOO

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**P. Thirunavukkaraju**
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**Mobile : 9986285841**

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For MRF LIMITED
Place : Chennai **S. DHANVANTH KUMAR**
Date : 16.10.2022 Company Secretary

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

This is to notify the General Public that my client **SMT. H.G. SREEGOWRI RAO,** W/o. Sri. H. Gururaja Rao, R/at: No.220, 1st 'G' Cross, 3rd Stage, 4th Block, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore-79, is the absolute owner of the Land bearing Residential Corner Site No.220 in West of Chord Road, 3rd Stage, 4th Block, Bangalore, measuring E-W (12.60+12.80)/2 and N-S (10.20+7.30)/2 the same was acquired by her through a Registered Sale Deed Dt:20-07-2000, Document No.1913/2000-01, Book-I, Vol-2364, Pages at 182-186, Registered in Rajajinagar Sub-Registrar's Office.

On 14-10-2022, when my client took the above said Original Sale Deed dated 20-07-2000, Document No.1913/2000-2001, Book-I, Vol-2364, Pages at 182-186, Registered in Rajajinagar Sub-Registrar's Office to a Xerox shop near her House in Basaveshwaranagar, she has Lost the Original Last Sheet of the said Sale Deed dated 20-07-2000. In spite of her best efforts, she could not trace the said Original Last Sheet of the said Sale Deed dated 20-07-2000. Hence it is requested to the General Public that any person finding the said Original Last Sheet of the said Sale Deed dated 20-07-2000, may kindly hand over to the undersigned at the below mentioned address within **7 days** from the date of issue of this Public Notice, the finder will suitably rewarded. In this regard my client has already lodged an online Police Complaint on 15-10-2022, vide Lost Report No.0358717/2022.

**LAWQUEST,** Advocates
No.626/97, Dr. Rajkumar Road, II Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-10.
Place: Bangalore Date: 15-10-2022

**IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BANGALORE (CCH-3)**
**P & SC No. 697/2022**

**BETWEEN: Mrs. Vyjayanthimala Jacobs** W/o Trini Jacobs, aged about 62 years, R/at No. 1002, Rich Coronet Apartment, 244 Karamchand LO 2nd Main, K.K.Halli, Bengaluru-560 084. ... **PETITIONER**
**AND: Nil ... RESPONDENT**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Whereas the petitioner have filed the above petition Under section 276 of the Indian Succession Act praying for issuance of probate in respect of the schedule property bequeathed by C.Rajeswari in favour of petitioner vide Will dated 03.10.2006. The said C. Rajeswari who died on 07.12.2006. Hence anybody having any rights, title or interest over the property they shall appear before this Hon'ble Court, by producing their documents to establish their right in person or through the pleader on **03-12-2022** at 11.00 AM to answer the same, failing which the matter will be heard ex-parte.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property being vacant site bearing No. 2195, situated in the Layout formed by the Ministry of Communication Employee's Co-operative Housing Society Ltd in several survey numbers of Kodigehalli Kothihosahalli and Bytarayanapura Villages, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk and the said layout plan is approved by the Bangalore Development Authority and presently coming within the administrative Jurisdiction of Byatarayanapura City Municipal Council and presently bearing Byatarayanapura City Municipal Council Katha No. 1729/1704/2195 and measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 40 feet in all measuring 2400 square feet and bounded on **East by:** Road, **West by:** Site No.2187, **North by:** Site No. 2196, **South by:** Public Property.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on 13-10-2022.

By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

Advocate for Petitioner: **MANOHARA**
Office at No. 21, 4th "A" Main, Behind Yamaha Show Room, Hebbala, Bengaluru.

**IN THE COURT OF LXXXIII ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BANGALORE (COMMERCIAL COURTS) (CCH. 84)**
**Commercial Execution Petition No. 322 of 2022**

**BETWEEN: 1. Bangalore Munihanume Gowda Paramesh**
**2. Smt. Ruchi Paramesh Gowda**
**...Decree holders**
**And: Prakash .P ...Judgement debtor**

**NOTICE TO JUDGEMENT DEBTOR**

**Prakash .P**, Proprietor: Om Sai Mouldings, Son of Mr. Pyarilal, No. 2, Yeshwanthpur Industrial Suburb First Stage, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore-560003.

**...JUDGEMENT DEBTOR**

**NOTICE**

Whereas the above decree holders have filed above execution petition against you for delivery of vacant possession of the schedule property and attachment of movable properties belongs to you for arrears of Rent of Rs.39,33,000/- (Rs. Thirty nine lakhs thirty three thousand only) is due from you.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of the immoveable property bearing Municipal No. 2, Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Ward No. 10, Bangalore City, Yeshwanthpur Industrial Suburb, First Stage, Yeshwanthpur, Yeshwanthpur Survey No.46/1, Bangalore. Measuring East to West: 50 Feet, North to South : 92 feet bounded by East by : Road, West by : Site No. 3, North by : Road and South by : T. B. Land.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Court in person or by a pleader **on 22nd Day of November 2022 at 11.AM** to answer the same failing which the petition will be disposed ex parte.

Given by my hand and seal of the Court this 12.10.2022.

**By order of the Court**
**Sheristedar**
**City Civil Court, Bangalore.**

Address for Service :
**B.S. RANGANATHA**
Advocate for Decree Holders
# 54/3, Sri Krishnarajendra Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore - 560 004.

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ROBERT H SCHULLER

$475 bn — Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflows can be attracted into India in the next 5 years, says a CII-EY report

# Many tax benefits of investing in NPS

Individuals can avail benefits through I-T deductions on contributions to NPS and through tax-free withdrawals

UMA KANNAN

THE National Pension System (NPS) has many advantages, and one of the significant ones is tax benefits that they offer to employees. Any individual who subscribes to NPS can claim tax benefits.

Tax benefits can be availed both through income tax deduction of the contributions made towards NPS as well as through tax-free withdrawals from one's NPS corpus.

NPS contributions are eligible for three kinds of deductions:

### Deductions within ₹1.5 limit

Under Section 80 CCE of the Income Tax Act, a number of investments and expenses are eligible for deductions up to a limit of ₹1.5 lakh a year. These investments and expenses include contribution towards employee pension funds, life insurance premium, investments in tax saving mutual funds as well as expenses like child's tuition fee, etc.

Any investment made in an NPS scheme also qualifies as a tax deductible under section 80 CCE subject to an overall cap of ₹1,50,000 for a particular financial year.

"For a salaried employee, the investment amount or 10% of Basic + DA components of salary will be considered as the eligible deductible amount. For self-employed investors, the lower of invested amount or 20% of gross income will be considered as the eligible amount to claim tax deduction," explains Nirav Karkera, Head Research, Fisdom.

*Tax benefits of NPS*

| Employer | Private Sector |
|---|---|
| (a) Basic Salary | ₹7,50,000 |
| (b) Dearness Allowance | ₹2,50,000 |
| (c) Other Investments under Sec 80C | ₹90,000 |
| (d) NPS Contribution by Employee | ₹70,000 |
| (e) NPS Contribution by Employer | ₹70,000 |

**Total Deductible**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| A | | 80 CCD (1) Lower of the following: | | |
| i | | NPS contribution by employee | ₹70,000 | |
| ii | | 10% of Basic Salary + DA | ₹1,00,000 | 10% x ([a]+[b]) |
| iii | (f) | Available Threshold u/s 80C | ₹60,000 | ₹1,50,000 - [c] |
| | (g) | **Final Deductible** | **₹60,000** | **[f]** |
| B | | **80 CCD (1B)** | | |
| | (h) | Investment in NPS beyond Sec 80C threshold | ₹10,000 | [d] - [f] |
| C | | 80 CCD (2) Lower of following: | | |
| | | NPS Contribution by Employer | ₹70,000 | [e] |
| | | 10% of Basic Salary + DA | ₹1,00,000 | 10% x ([a]+[b]) |
| | (i) | Final Deductible | ₹70,000 | |
| D | | **Total Deductible** | **₹1,40,000** | **[g]+[h]+[i]** |

Source: Fisdom

EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

### Additional ₹50,000 deduction

Apart from this, investments of up to ₹50,000 in a financial year is separately deductible under section 80 CCD(1B).

These tax benefits are availed based on the investment amount and eligible deduction translates to a lower income tax liability.

One of the important things is tax benefits are applicable only to investments in NPS Tier 1 plans. There are two types of NPS accounts- Tier I and II accounts. While Tier I is for retirement savings, Tier II is a voluntary savings account.

If an investor has a PF investment of ₹50,000, a life insurance premium of ₹20,000, and a principal repayment of a home loan of ₹40,000 in one financial year, then he is already claiming ₹1,10,000 (50K+20K+40K) out of ₹1.5 lakh under 80C. "He can additionally invest ₹40,000 in NPS to claim the full ₹1.5 lakh. He can invest ₹50,000 more in NPS under 80CCD(1B)," says Nidhi Manchanda, financial planner, head of training, R&D at Fintoo.

Considering if an investor claims a full ₹2 lakh deduction by investing in NPS only, then he will be able to save tax of up to ₹62,400.

"It is important to know that this ₹2 lakh deduction is available for taxpayers opting for the old tax regime only. Under the new tax regime, such a benefit is not available," financial planner Manchanda says.

It is suggested that investors should opt for a Tier 1 account, as only that offers all the tax benefits. No tax benefits are available for those investing in Tier 2 accounts, the financial planner adds.

### Deductions of employer's contribution

Tax benefits to employees on employer's contribution is also allowed, the relevant provision is Section 80CCD(2).

This too is over the limit of ₹1.5 lakh. Also, there are tax benefits of the self-employed as well.

Self-employed individuals who contribute to NPS can secure certain benefits on their own contributions.

For instance, there is a deduction up to 20% of gross income. The pertinent section here is 80CCD(1). "Here too a deduction up to ₹50,000 -- under section 80 CCD(1B) -- is allowed," says Nilanjan Dey, Director, Wishlist Capital.

### Tax exemptions on withdrawal

Nilanjan Dey said that conditional benefits accrue on purchase of annuity u/s 80CCD(5). Also, partial withdrawal from NPS is tax friendly, subject to provisions as up to 25% of self-contribution. Apart from these two, lump sum withdrawal (60% of accumulated pension) spawns a tax exemption as well.

Tier 1 is a non-withdrawal permanent account, but in case of premature exit, investors can do so only after completing 10 years.

"Investors can redeem from their NPS Tier 1 account before the age of 60 for specific purposes only. However, a redemption of any amount up to 25% of the total invested value is tax-free," says Nirav Karkera.

This threshold for tax-free redemption goes up to a redemption of up to 40% of total corpus if redeemed after the age of 60, Nirav Karkera explains.

An amount redeemed and invested in an annuity plan is tax-free as well. However, income from the annuity scheme is subject to taxes.

In case if employers contribute to NPS, then employees will get a deduction of up to 10% of salary.

However, if employers are willing to contribute 12% of employees' salary to NPS, then the additional 2% will be taxable in employees' hands.

But the majority of employers cap their contribution to 10%.

MONEY-WISE

# BALANCING RISK AND RETURNS WITH MID CAP FUNDS

MID Cap Funds, as its title suggests, are a category of equity funds that invest predominantly in mid-sized companies. It needs to invest at least 65% of its corpus in mid cap stocks.

Investors back mid cap funds in the belief that the fund managers will identify and invest in mid cap companies that have the potential to grow into large cap companies.

This category was introduced as part of a categorisation of Equity Funds by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) in October 2017. SEBI defines a mid-cap company as those listed companies that are ranked from 101st to 250th at Indian stock exchanges in terms of market capitalisation.

Market capitalisation is calculated by multiplying the number of a company's shares outstanding by its stock price per share.

This was a good move by SEBI as prior to the categorisation, most funds used labels loosely and notwithstanding what the label suggested, investments were made across large, mid and small caps. Stock selection then seemed driven by a competitor's returns and dividend payouts, which came at a cost to serious long-term investors.

Historically, mid cap funds have proved to be relatively more volatile than large cap funds but provided relatively more stability to the portfolio during volatile market conditions as compared to small cap funds. Since its component, mid-cap companies are emerging companies of reasonable size, they don't carry the same quantum of risk as small caps.

Since mid cap funds qualify as equity assets, any sale made within a year from the date of purchase is liable for Short Term Capital Gain (STCG) and attracts 15% tax. For any sale made after the investment has completed a year, Long Term Capital Gains (LTCG) tax is applicable at 10% on capital gains over ₹1 lakh.

Those investing in mid cap funds must do so knowing that the underlying asset is equity with all its attendant risks. Yet, investing in mid-cap funds is often used as a dynamic investment strategy as the payoff can potentially be substantial. Consequently, these funds might have a higher turnover ratio and costs.

Nonetheless, it must be appreciated that equity investment is completely risk-free. Also, since risk and returns are directly related, the returns here could be higher than that in a large-cap fund, when the market starts ascending sharply. One of the popular Benchmarks used by mid cap funds is the Nifty Midcap 150 Index, which is designed to track the performance of next150 companies ranking from 101 - 250 based on full market capitalisation from Nifty 500.

In the next column, we shall turn the spotlight on some of the larger and mid-sized mid-cap funds, their allocation across market capitalisations, the sectors that they are more focused on and their performances.

**PERFORMANCE TABLE OF THE NIFTY MIDCAP 150 INDEX**

Benchmarks: Nifty Midcap 150 Index TRI

| 1 year Return (%) | 5 year Return (%) |
|---|---|
| 11.82 | 14.86 |

FINANCIAL ADVICE

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# MANAGE YOUR MONEY TO ACHIEVE GOALS; NOT SACRIFICE THEM

RAJAS KELKAR

A lot of you believe that personal finance is all about sacrifice. You are putting off good things in life today for a better future. Fierce resistance exists when young people are told about saving more and spending less. The urge to spend more goes down as you age, but it continues to make you hold negative thoughts about personal finance.

As you step back and look at the year gone by this festive season, you may want to look at personal finance in a new light. Managing your money is more about achieving your financial goals. You need to build a credible relationship between your dreams and your financial goals with the help of personal finance. To do that, think of personal finance as a practical toolbox.

You often keep a toolbox at home to fix things on time. At the same time, you may not be an expert electrician, plumber or carpenter. But, you will do the initial mending of things if they break. Your toolbox will help you tighten screws, check wire cables or temporarily fix furniture.

Just like you must maintain things at home with timely cleaning, oiling and servicing, you need to work on your finances. It is not a subject you must study and then appear for tests. There is no need to burden yourself with having to study personal finance.

### Dreams and goals

Your dreams can translate into financial goals, and you can achieve them one by one. Personal finance will show you the path towards that dream. Use various tools at your disposal to take that path. Financial discipline is about avoiding indiscretion. As humans, our instinct is to take the easy way out.

A lot of you indulge in shopping as therapy. You make choices based on the money in your hands. If you enjoy impulse shopping, you can work towards providing for that. That can be a common short-term goal. If you have a steady income, you can plan your expenses in such a way that it helps you achieve financial independence and indulge regularly.

A primary requirement to take charge of the money rests on your ability to create a monthly surplus. If you can manage that regularly, you can invest it in a way to meet your short-term and long-term goals.

There is a good chance that you may be confused about dreams and goals. If that is the case, you must take professional help. A certified financial planner or an advisor can help you determine goals and give you a plan.

You can apply the 'rule of 72' to your investments based on your goals. It is an essential tool of personal finance you can use. If you divide 72 by the return you expect every year; you will get the time it takes to double your money. At a 10% annual return, you will need seven years to double your money.

SOURAV ROY

The safest investment is government securities or post-office schemes. They offer a 7-8% return guaranteed by the government. Beyond that, you must depend on equity markets to generate a higher return. At the same time, equity assets may underperform in the short term (0 to 5 years), but they do exceedingly well in the long term. Plan your asset allocation with the help of your advisor.

### Challenges to your goals

There are two types of challenges to your goals. The first one is about external factors. Interest rates and inflation influence your money, and there is a direct correlation.

As inflation rises, you need to work harder to beat the heat. As interest rates rise, you must prepare for a slowdown or a rainy day. If you are an impulse spender, you will have to curb your urge to buy in times of rising interest rates when inflation is high. You must first figure out how to save and invest more for your future expenses.

The second factor that challenges your goals is intrinsic. Your ability to take risks will determine the wealth you create for yourself. All asset classes other than those guaranteed by the government carry market risk. Your confidence to earn a regular and higher income in the future will help you take risks.

*(The author is editor-in-chief at www.moneyminute.in)*

# PM Modi launches 75 Digital Banking Units

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday said that with digital banking set up, the government aims to provide maximum services with minimum infrastructure, and in doing so will simplify the banking procedure while providing a robust and secure banking system.

The PM was speaking after dedicating 75 digital banking units (DBUs) to the nation on Sunday.

The DBUs are being set up with the objective to ensure the benefits of digital banking reach every nook and corner of the country and will cover all the States and Union territories.

As many as 11 public sector banks, 12 private sector banks and one Small Finance Bank will launch DBUs across the country.

"Digital Banking Units are another big step in the direction which is going on in the country to make the life of common man of India easier," the PM said, adding that people living in small towns and villages will find benefits like transferring money to availing loans.

The Prime Minister reminded how the entire country is experiencing the power of Jan Dhan Bank accounts – the no frill bank accounts opened by the government to bring a large section of the unbanked population into the fold of formal banking system.

"This opened the way for loans for the poor without collateral and provided Direct Benefit Transfer to the accounts of the target beneficiaries. These accounts were the key modality for providing homes, toilets, gas subsidy, and benefits of schemes for farmers could be ensured seamlessly," he said.

He also recalled how even the International Monetary Fund (IMF) also praised India's digital banking infrastructure. "Today the whole world is appreciating this DBT and the digital power of India. Today it is being seen as a global model," he said. He also praised the role of DBT in eliminating corruption.

EXPRESS READ

### Fino Payments looks for further upgrade

NEW DELHI: Transitioning from a business correspondent to a payments bank five years back, profit making Fino Payments Bank looks for a further upgrade to a small finance bank with internal discussions underway, bank's chief Rishi Gupta said. The bank will approach the RBI for a small finance bank licence at an appropriate time, Gupta said. "We are also building a large customer and merchant base," Gupta added.

### PE investments in real estate down 63%

NEW DELHI: Private equity investments in retail real estate space fell 63% to $303 million during January-September as investors were concerned about possible impact of high inflation on consumption, according to Knight Frank. The private equity investments in retail stood at $817 million in the year-ago period. Since 2011, the retail real estate has attracted $3,944 million worth of PE investments through 31 deals, reports PTI.

MACRO WOES

# *Mindtree prioritises cost optimisation*

UMA KANNAN @BENGALURU

WHILE macroeconomic indicators are hinting at near-term softness in certain sectors, IT services company Mindtree expects that softness to be transient.

Venu Lambu, Executive Director and President, Global Markets, Mindtree, told TNIE that market volatility is known to fuel a surge in demand for technology, and the current period of volatility is unlikely to be an exception.

The IT company reported a 27.5% increase in its consolidated net profit for the second quarter at Rs 509 crore, and it maintained its EBITDA margin at 21%. "Our strong performance this quarter reaffirms that our capabilities and offerings are resonating well with our clients. For enterprises across sectors, technology-led interventions to improve customer experiences, boost revenues, and optimise costs continue to be integral to growth and competitiveness," he said.

**Q2 Results**

- Mindtree reported a **27.5%** increase in net profit for **Q2 at Rs 509 crore**
- It maintained EBITDA margin at **21%**
- Q3 is a seasonally weak quarter for Mindtree
- It witnessed **20.4%** Y-o-Y revenue growth for Top 10 clients
- LTI-Mindtree merger is in the last leg of regulatory approvals

VENU LAMBU, ED and President, Global Markets, Mindtree

While North America posted a 29.4% increase in growth, both Continental Europe, UK & Ireland reported 6.6% and 26.7% dip, respectively in growth compared to the previous year.

Lambu said, "As a result of pockets of softness within Europe, programmes focused on cost optimisation are being prioritised."

He also added that they expect wages to stabilise over the next few quarters. As far as the LTI-Mindtree merger is concerned, the executive director said they are making good and meaningful progress with the merger, and are in the last leg of regulatory approvals. "We expect to close the merger before the end of this calendar year," he said.

When asked about moonlighting, Lambu said the company's employee contracts do not allow moonlighting because that presents a substantial risk to clients' business interests.

In the first half of this fiscal year, Mindtree hired 3,000 fresh graduates, and now the company is looking at hiring plans from the perspective of the increased capacity and economy of scale that the merger of Mindtree and LTI will present.

"We expect hiring to continue at a steady rate, while accounting for talent synergies between the two merging companies," he said.

Mindtree's trailing 12 months attrition was 24.1%, and the company believes that there is room for it to trend down further. Talking about the return-to-office programme, he said all offices are now operational, and over a third of its employees are working from the office in a staggered manner for two to three days a week, depending on client and project needs.

## Neymar goes on trial in Barcelona ahead of WC

A month before the World Cup begins in Qatar, Brazilian superstar Neymar goes on trial in Spain over alleged irregularities in his transfer to Barcelona nearly a decade ago. The trial opens in Barcelona on Monday following a years-long legal saga over his 2013 transfer from the Brazilian club Santos.



# T20 & MATCH-UPS: MADE IN HEAVEN

Reliance on data and analysis have drastically changed the way teams operate in shortest format

GOMESH S @ Chennai

The Indian team, under Rahul Dravid (centre), have adopted an mordernised approach with the help of data analysis | AFP

OCTOBER 4, 2022. India were playing South Africa in the third T20I in Indore. Put into bat first, South Africa ran riot with the bat, with Quinton de Kock and Rilee Rossouw taking the Indian bowling attack to cleaners. While the former made 68 runs from 43 balls, Rossouw smashed an unbeaten 48-ball 100. South Africa made 227/3 and India lost 49 runs.

The standout point from that match was that Axar Patel — India's second spinner in the game — bowled only one over because there were two southpaws in the middle. When asked after the match whether the Indian team is planning to approach the games based on match-ups, head coach Rahul Dravid was candid in his response. "They (match-ups) are important to us," he said, before adding, "whether they are more important or not, it is for you guys to dig deep and look at what the stats tell you about some match-ups, about numbers of left-hand batters against left-arm spin, maybe you might get some answers in there."

India and Dravid had a point. In the last five years, Axar had given away 8.4 runs per over against left-handers in T20s in comparison with 6.5 against right-handers. And in a small venue like Indore, with three left-handed batters sharing 96 of the 120 deliveries between them, it seemed a logical decision.

Sports and analysis have always gone hand in hand. In cricket, historically, a lot of it has been visual, based on what a captain or coach saw off the opponents on the field. While video analysis broke ground in the late 90s and the new millennium, statistical analysis took its time. This is largely due to technological development and the extensive variables that are in play in the longer formats.

However, with the advent of T20 cricket and franchise-based leagues, it has become an integral part of the game in the last decade, especially in white-ball cricket.

Freddie Wilde, Royal Challengers Bangalore's team analyst, believes that the attitude changed with time. "Coaches captains are becoming more receptive. Sometimes when they don't, you have to use the more advanced number to work out what you recommend and more traditional numbers to make your point. For example, Tim David is a good power hitter. He might come really well on numbers for that. But you might need traditional numbers that show his SR in death or balls per boundary," Wilde, Head of Performance Analysis at CricViz, told this daily.

### Cat and mouse game

These days teams opting to use or to not use a certain type of bowler against a specific batter or a batting line-up is a common sight. However, it's not the same in the batting department. While the teams have a floater or two, the flexibility in usage of a particular batter based on which bowler has how many overs left is still a work in progress. Wilde cites England as a perfect example as to an international team that uses one of the most advanced data analysis (coded signals) in their bowling match-ups but not in their batting.

He feels that role stability of a batter might be "slightly overrated" in T20s. "You just need them to play against the bowling they are strongest against. It's a game of cat and mouse. Bowling teams start the play and make the move first. If you compare it with chess, they are white. But just because you are making the second move, it doesn't mean you can't play the match-ups. By responding with sending in a different batter, you are countering that. It's not that much more complicated than bowling match-ups but a slight step ahead."

> **I think India have massively modernized their T20 approach under Rahul Dravid in two areas. The first area which has gained the most attention is probably the batting approach. The second is regards to flexible batting orders and match-ups both with bat and ball.**
>
> — Freddie Wilde, Head of Performance Analysis at CricViz

### Risk vs rewards

While Dravid and India had their logic to not use Axar against South Africa, it might not be the only way to look at things. During the second T20I against Pakistan in Karachi last month, England's captain for the series Moeen Ali brought himself on in the 13th over against two right-handers in Mohammad Rizan and Babar Azam. The off-spinner went for 21 runs and it changed the course of the chase. "That was a gamble on my part. I went to try and get a wicket, almost buy a wicket," Ali had said after the 10-wicket loss.

Wilde says one cannot entirely rule out bowling negative match-ups. "Maybe it's the wrong way of framing it. It's about run-saving versus wicket-taking. Generally, a negative run-saving match-up can be a positive wicket-taking match-up. Quite often, you find left-arm spinners taking LHB wickets than RHB because they are normally taken on. There is a bit more nuanced understanding to it."

### Conditions matter

Like every other format, in T20Is too, playing conditions have a massive influence in the way teams operate and use match-ups. The 2022 Men's T20 World Cup happening in Australia is no different. The toss might not be as crucial as it was during the previous edition in the United Arab Emirates, but the pitches and the ground dimensions could be critical. What more, not many international sides have had the experience of touring Australia for white-ball series.

"The numbers show that they have more pace and bounce than any other country in the world," Wilde says. "That is going to bring into play fast bowlers and guys who bowl short aggressive lengths because that is going to be more difficult. And numbers again show that it has a bigger role in Australia than it does elsewhere. Teams who have tall fast bowlers who can bowl high pace and short lengths are likely to be more effective because those deliveries' increased effectiveness."

"The spin match-ups may matter slightly less. But, I am very hesitant to be too confident in that opinion. I am not sure of it, but there is a theory that because the pitches are going to spin less, the finger spin is potentially the bowler that batters could try to take down or maybe if you are a negative match-up, you potentially could be taken on," he said.

## Namibia light up WC Opener

In what could change the course of the rest of the first round games, Namibia trumped Sri Lanka by a huge margin in the first game of the T20 World Cup at Geelong. A look at Sunday's two games...

**FRYLINCK, SMIT STEAL HEADLINES**

They had made it to Super 12s in UAE. They had the ammunition in their bowling attack. Yet, it was going to be a tough contest for Namibia against Sri Lanka. Until the three-fourth of the first innings the Dasun Shanaka-led side were control of the proceedings. But Jan Frylinck (44 off 28) and JJ Smit (31 n.o off 16) smashed 58 runs in the last five to take Namibia to 163/7. From thereon, Ben Shikongo led the charge with the ball as they bundled out Sri Lanka for a paltry 108, registering one of the biggest wins ever for their country. With the win, they have completely thrown off the permutations and combinations on who will get to the next stages.

**Brief scores:** Namibia 163/7 in 20 ovs (Frylink 44, Smit 31 n.o) **bt** Sri Lanka 108 all out in 19 ovs (Shikongo 2/22, Wiese 2/16).

**NETHERLANDS WIN A THRILLER**

The United Arab Emirates were playing their first-ever T20I on Australian soil. And it was against a tricky opponent in the Netherlands. Despite Muhammad Waseem's steady 41, Bas de Leede (3/19) ensured the UAE made only 111/8 - a total that haven't been defended successfully in T20 World Cups. However, the subcontinental side gave the Dutch a run for their money, reducing them to 76/6. Junaid Siddique (3/24) starred with the ball, but in the end, skipper Scot Edwards held his nerve to take the Netherlands across the line in a last-over finish. That UAE missed a few chances on the field did not help their cause.

**Brief scores:** UAE 111/8 in 20 ovs (Waseem 41; Bas de Leede 3/19) **lost** to Netherlands 112/7 in 19.5 ovs (O'Dowd 23; Siddique 3/24).

**TODAY'S MATCHES**

**Group B in Hobart**

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| West Indies vs Scotland | 9.30 AM |
| Ireland vs Zimbabwe | 1.30 PM |

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**Warm-up fixture in Brisbane:**

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| India vs Australia | 8.30 AM |

Namibia's players celebrate their win over Sri Lanka in their T20 World Cup match in Geelong, Australia, on Sunday | AP

ATK Mohun Bagan's Dimitri Petratos rejoices after scoring on Sunday | A SANESH

## Hat-trick hero Petratos behind Bagan victory

AGENCIES @ Kochi

DIMITRI Petratos scored the 2022 ISL season's first hat-trick as ATK Mohun Bagan ran riot (5-2) against rivals Kerala Blasters at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Kochi.

Ivan Kaliuzhnyi put the hosts in front just six minutes into the game. Blasters started the game well, and early pressure paid off as the Ukrainian combined well with Sahal Samad on the right before beating Vishal Kaith at the near post. The stands were silenced in the 26th minute after Boumous sprinted down the left flank and skipped past Ruivah Hormipam before unselfishly putting it on a plate for Petratos to tap the equaliser in. The game turned on its head in the 38th minute when Manvir Singh spotted Joni Kauko darting towards the box from midfield. The striker found the midfielder with a precise ball before Kauko smashed the ball into the back of the net, swinging the advantage over to the Mariners on enemy territory.

Two minutes after the hour mark, Petratos smashed it home to establish a two-goal cushion. Any hopes of a Blasters comeback were laid to rest when substitute Lenny Rodrigues played an excellent ball to Colaco, who played it into the path of Petratos. The striker tapped it in from close range.

EXPRESS READ

### Erigaisi shocks Carlsen in Aimchess Rapid meet

CHENNAI: Indian Grandmaster Arjun Erigaisi on Sunday hogged the spotlight, beating world champion Magnus Carlsen in round seven of the preliminaries of the Aimchess Rapid online chess tournament. The 19-year-old Erigaisi, who had gone down to compatriot Vidit Santosh Gujrathi to make a losing start in the event, is currently in fifth place after eight rounds. The win over Carlsen in the seventh round early on Sunday was the Indian's first over the world champ.

### Swiatek rallies past Pegula to reach San Diego final

SAN DIEGO: World No 1 Iga Swiatek of Poland rallied after a rain delay to defeat sixth-ranked American Jessica Pegula on Saturday and reach the WTA San Diego Open final. Swiatek, seeking her eighth title of the year, advanced to her ninth WTA final of the season by defeating Pegula 4-6, 6-2, 6-2 after two hours and six minutes. Swiatek dropped the first set just before a lengthy rain delay that allowed the 21-year-old Polish star to regroup.

## Shahbaz puts TN on the brink of exit

AGENCIES/ENS

SHAHBAZ Ahmed produced a brilliant all-round performance to power Bengal to a dominating 43-run win over Tamil Nadu in their Elite Group E match of the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy here on Sunday.

The 27-year-old from Haryana led Bengal's aggressive batting display with an unbeaten 27-ball 42 laced with three fours and two maximums to take the team to 164 for six after opting to bat.

He then returned to scalp three crucial wickets with his left-arm spin to completely derail Tamil Nadu's run chase as they ended with 121 for 9 in their stipulated 20 overs.

In another match, Odisha pulled off a one-wicket win over Chandigarh in a last-ball thriller, riding on Rakesh Pattnaik's unbeaten 61 off 24 balls. Sent in to bat, Chandigarh posted 179 for 6 with Bhagmender Lather making 59 off 41 balls with seven maximums and Raj Bawa slamming 40 off 17 balls.

In reply, Odisha were down 5 for 2 but they recovered from the disastrous start with Shantanu Mishra (39) and Subhranshu Senapati (47) playing a big role in keeping them in the hunt.

Pattnaik then smashed seven boundaries and four sixes to take Odisha home in the last ball.

At Indore, after their first two games were abandoned because of rain, Andhra defeated Nagaland by five wickets Ashwin Hebbar top-scoring with 51. Ricky Bhui (36) and impact player SK Rasheed (37 n.o) too played their part to give Andhra their first win of the tournament. Earlier, Shrikant Mundhe scored an unbeaten 91 off 50 balls to power Nagaland to 169/4 in 20 overs. Rongsen Jonathan scored 45.

In Group C, Pacer Vidhwath Kaverappa bagged a career-best 5/11 as fancied Karnataka recorded a convincing 34-run win over Jammu & Kashmir. Batting first, Karnataka were restricted to 147 for seven in the stipulated 20 overs, but the total proved to be more than enough as Jammu & Kashmir were bowled out for 113 in 18.2 overs. Karnataka remain second in the group.

In the same group, Services handed Kerala their first defeat. Chasing 149 to go top of the table, Kerala were hampered by regular loss of wickets and ended up six short of Service's total. Sachin Baby (36) and Sanju Samson (30) were the two to get a decent start for Kerala as they slipped to third spot.

At Jaipur, Tilak Verma continued his good form as topscored with 62 to help Hyderabad beat Tripura by five wickets off the last ball. In another match, Delhi handed Pondicherry their fourth successive loss as they won by seven wickets. Chasing a target of 169, Yash Dhull made an unbeaten 71 off 46 balls to take Delhi home with four balls to spare.

**BRIEF SCORES: Group B**, at Jaipur: Pondicherry 168/8 (Parameeswaran Sivaraman 43, Saini 3/37) **lost** to Delhi 169/3 in 19.2 ovs (Dhull 71 n.o); Tripura 158/8 in 20 ovs (Bikramkumar 71) **lost** to Hyderabad 162/5 in 20 ovs (Tilak Varma 67); **Group C,** at Mohali: Services 148/8 in 20 ovs (Anshul Gupta 39, Vaisakh 3/28) **bt** Kerala 136 in 19.4 ovs (Baby 36, Nitin 3/12); Karnataka 147/7 in 20 ovs (Shreyas 48 n.o, Manoj 41) **bt** J&K 113 in 18.2 ovs (Vivrant 63, Kaverappa 5/11); At Indore, **Group D:** Nagaland 169/4 in 20 ovs (Mundhe 91 n.o, Jonathan 45) **lost** to Andhra 173/5 in 19 ovs (Hebbar 51, Rasheed 37 n.o); **Group E,** at Lucknow: Chandigarh 179/6 (Lather 59, Bawa 40 n.o) **lost** to 181/9 in 20 ovs (Pattnaik 61 n.o, Senapati 47, Jagjit 4/29); Bengal 164/6 in 20 ovs (Shahbaz 42 n.o) **bt** Tamil Nadu 121/9 (Sai Sudharsan 64, Shahbaz 3/13).

BADMINTON

## Sourabh, Tanya take top prize

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

SOURABH Verma and Tanya Hemanth won the men's and women's singles titles, respectively, in the Infosys Foundation India International Challenge in Bengaluru on Sunday.

Both had to work hard to achieve the same. While Sourabh beat Mithun Manjunath 21-18, 17-21, 21-16, Tanya beat Ruthvika Shivani Gadde 21-19, 17-21, 21-17.

Women's doubles pair of Ashwini Bhat and Shikha Gautam lived up to their No 1 billing, beating Arul Bala Radhakrishnan and Varshini Viswanath for the top prize. Experienced Ashwini Ponnappa, along with Sai Pratheek K, won the mixed doubles crown. Chaloempon Charoenkitamorn and Nathakarn Yordphaisong emerged champions in the men's doubles section.

## India bag fifth gold in Cairo

ENS/AGENCIES @ Chennai

THE Indian shooters continue to put up rich performances in the ongoing ISSF Word Championship in Cairo. After becoming a world champion a few days ago, Rudrankksh B Patil was once again in the spotlight. The teenager from Maharashtra teamed up with Ankush Jadhav and Arjun Babuta to help India clinch their fifth gold medal in the competition on Sunday. The men's 10m air rifle team beat China 16-0 in the gold medal match. Apart from the gold medal, India also won a silver and two bronze medals on Sunday.

Shooting at the Egypt International Olympic City (EIOC) range, the men's air rifle team raced ahead 14-2 in the final against a Chinese team which had Yang Haoran (double Olympic gold medallist and two-time world champion), Lihao Sheng (Tokyo Olympics silver medallist) and Song Buhan (World Championship silver medallist).

## Real delight: Madrid beat rivals Barca to go top

AFP @ Madrid

Real Madrid's Karim Benzema (c) celebrates after scoring the opener | AP

REIGNING champions Real Madrid beat Barcelona 3-1 in the Clasico to overtake their fierce rivals at the top of La Liga on Sunday.

Karim Benzema opened the scoring in the 12th minute by converting a rebound after Marc-Andre ter Stegen saved from Vinicius Junior, with Fede Valverde drilling home the second from the edge of the box before the break.

Ferran Torres pulled one back for Barcelona in the final stages after good work by Ansu Fati, but Rodrygo won and converted a late penalty to ensure Carlo Ancelotti's side inflicted Barcelona's first domestic defeat of the season.

Madrid ended the Catalans' seven-game winning streak in the league and added to the still-raw pain of their struggles in Europe, where they are on the verge of Champions League elimination.

Barcelona, who spent heavily in the summer to try and catch up with their rivals, now trail them by three points. The Catalans had conceded just one league goal in eight games before the Clasico but shipped double that tally in the first half, leaving Madrid as the division's only unbeaten side.

After a damaging draw with Inter Milan midweek that left Barcelona's European hopes hanging by a thread, Xavi made changes.

Jules Kounde returned after injury to strengthen the defence, with veteran defender Gerard Pique, who made a costly error against the Italians, dropping out. Frenkie de Jong and Alejandro Balde also came into the side. Xavi's counterpart Ancelotti had fewer decisions to make, with Valverde getting the nod over Rodrygo on the right of the attack, while Andriy Lunin started in goal with Thibaut Courtois not ready to return after suffering sciatica.

Last season Barcelona's best moment came at the Bernabeu, as Xavi's side earned a surprising 4-0 win, but this visit found them at their lowest ebb since the Spanish World Cup winner took charge.

### Manchester City stunned

LONDON: Bukayo Saka scored the only goal as Arsenal beat Leeds 1-0 on Sunday to extend their lead at the top of the Premier League, while Liverpool stunned champions Manchester City 1-0 at Anfield. Mohamed Salah scored the only goal of the match. Elsewhere, a Mason Mount double secured a 2-0 win for Chelsea at Aston Villa and Manchester United played out a 0-0 stalemate at home to Newcastle.

# Chhattisgarh
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**17th October, 2022**

## Rajiv Gandhi Kisan Nyay Yojana

**Direct benefit transfer of ₹1,745 cr to 26.21 lakh farmers**

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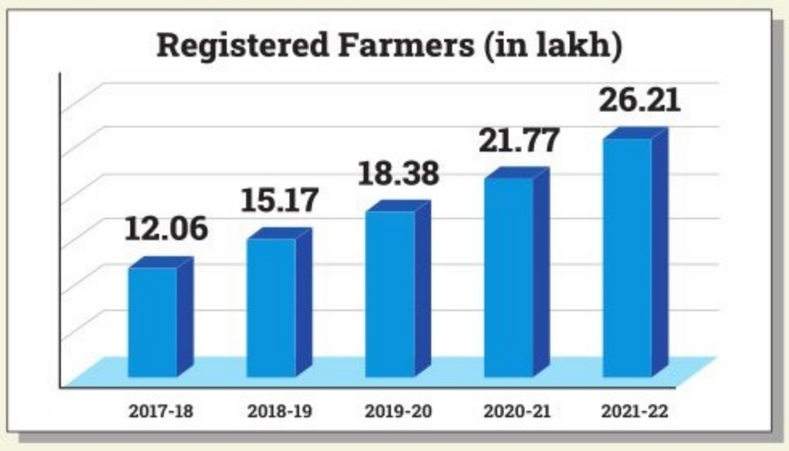


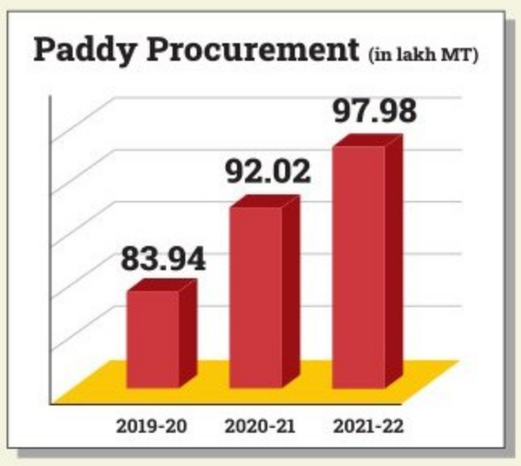


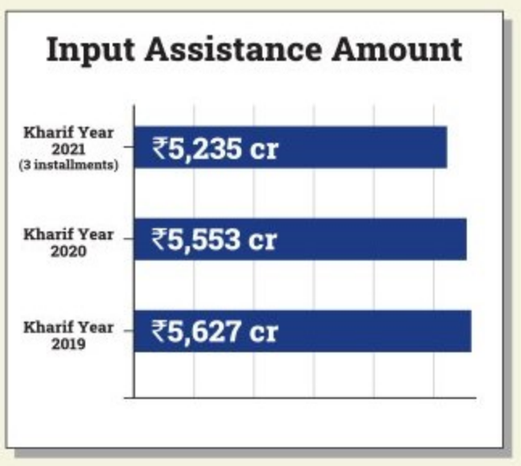


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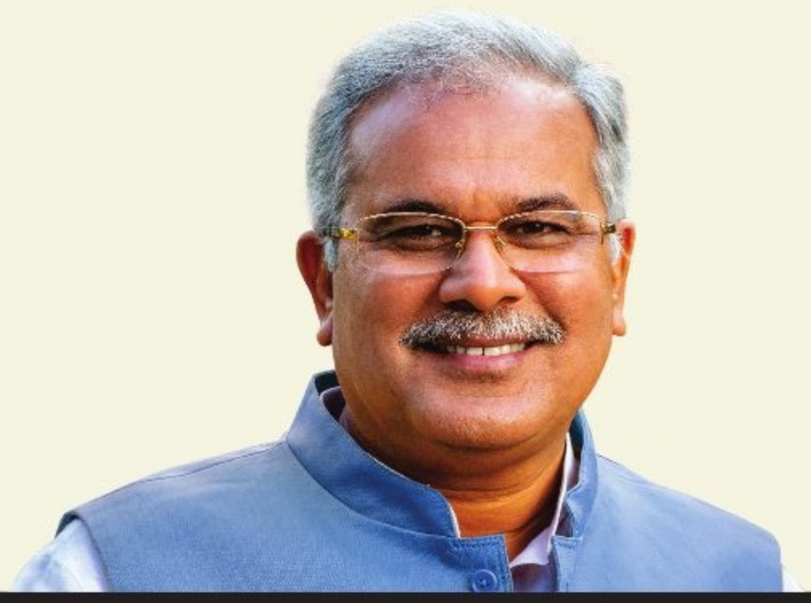

Shri Bhupesh Baghel
Chief Minister, Chhattisgarh

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**Annual financial assistance of ₹7,000 to landless agricultural labourers**

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**DAY'S DIARY**

## *Nobel Prize*

Mother Teresa, who has cared for the poor and sick in India for more than 30 years, was named the winner of the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize

**HER SOCIETY**

In 1948, she founded the Society of the Missionaries of Charity in Calcutta's slums, after opening her first school with special permission from Rome to live outside a convent

**HER WORK**

They brought in the dying and destitute from the streets. The work then spread to 50 Indian cities and more than 25 countries

**OTHER AWARDS**

Besides the Nobel Peace Prize, she has been awarded the Presidential Medal by the US, Ramon Magasaysay Award, Padma Shri and Bharat Ratna

## *Work With A View*

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One step away from a chance at competing in the FIA World Rally Championship, Bengaluru's Pragathi Gowda talks about her impressive journey and her love for her native city

# DRIVEN BY AMBITION

*The negative perception of motorsports acts as a barrier, especially to women. If we had more top-tier international sporting events happening in the country, it would probably help change people's perception, while giving motorsports wider exposure*

Pragathi Gowda, racing driver

DESE GOWDA

THE first round of the 2020 Indian National Rally Championship (INRC) held in Itanagar saw a young new talent blitzing her way through the competition to secure an overall top 10 finish on her debut. That day, motorsports veterans and enthusiasts felt that the newcomer was a future talent. Within just two years, they were proved right when Bengaluru's **Pragathi Gowda** won the Asia-Pacific final of the FIA Rally Star programme held at the Madras International Circuit early last week, beating 26 other drivers, from seven different national motorspor clubs across the continent.

Gowda says she developed her interest in motorsports driving in the city, along with some big encouragement coming from her father and brother. Having to travel often for races, Gowda explains that coming back home helps her re-energise. "Bengaluru is such a wonderful place to live; I adore it! When I'm away, I genuinely miss the city, and I cannot wait to return home," she says, adding that her favourite way to unwind is with a cup of coffee.

Having started her motorsports career very recently in 2019, Gowda says that getting an opportunity to represent India in an international event has been a dream come true. "I made my country proud with that win, and I will always cherish that achievement," she says. After a impressive debut in INRC in 2020, she has emerged as one of the most promising racers in the country. However, she says that her experience in INRC was of little to no use during the Rally Star final.

"It was a completely different challenge. The car was radically different compared to the ones I'm used to. It was tricky to drive, as I had no prior experience with a rear-wheel-driven car. Adjusting to the car was a difficult process and it took me a while to get the best times out of it," shares Gowda, who is self-taught. Despite her struggles to adjust to the car, she says that her comfort with gravel stages gave her the upper hand. "I'm a gravel girl, I always loved driving on dirt. And I'm hoping that it'll give me an advantage during the finals next year," she quips.

Despite her achievements,

Gowda says the environment in Bengaluru and the wider region are not very supportive of motorsports aspirants. Drawing on her own experiences, she felt that most people view motorsports as dangerous, despite the recent advances in driver safety. "The negative perception acts as a barrier to entry, especially to women," she says. "If we had more top-tier international sporting events such as Formula 1, and World Rally Championship happening in the country, it would probably help change people's perception, while giving motorsports wider exposure."

One day, she hopes to land a seat in the FIA World Rally Championship. And as she prepares for the all-important Rally Star finals in Peru next year, Gowda says the process hasn't been straightforward as she lacks access to a suitable practice car. "All this while, it was just me alone trying to make the country proud. But now, I'll need the country's help to give me the best possible chance at the next stage. I definitely cannot do it alone," concludes Gowda.

## WATCH LIST

### THE SCHOOL FOR GOOD AND EVIL (ENGLISH)

Two best friends' bond and friendship is tested when they are taken away to a magical school that trains future heroes and villains.

**Cast:** Sophia Anne Caruso, Sofia Wylie, Charlize Theron

**Watch on:** Netflix

### FROM SCRATCH (ENGLISH)

A Texas artist and student travel to Italy, where she falls in love with a Sicilian chef and starts a life-altering journey through different cultures and continents filled with love, loss, and hope.

**Cast:** Zoe Saldana, Eugenio Mastrandrea, Keith David

**Watch on:** Netflix

### 20TH CENTURY GIRL (KOREAN)

The film revolves around a teen girl who keeps a close eye on a popular boy as a favour to her best friend, who has a crush on him but gets lost in her love story.

**Cast:** Kim You-jung, Byeon Woo-seok, Park Jung-woo

**Watch on:** Netflix

### ARGENTINA, 1985 (SPANISH)

Based on actual events, this courtroom drama set during the 1980s revolves around a group of lawyers against those responsible for Argentina's bloody dictatorship.

**Cast:** Ricardo Darin, Peter Lanzani, Alejandra Flechner

**Watch on:** Prime Video

**Avin Thaliath**
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## CITY READ

### Research team invents cutting edge space technology

India's first nano-reaction wheel actuator system for small satellites was developed by the Center of Excellence in Space Research at the Nitte Meenakshi Institute of Technology (NMIT). It is invented by Saroj Kumar, Sandesh Hegde, Divyanshu Sahay, Anik Jha and Dr S Sandya and is used to control spacecraft orientation. The Indian government has patented this invention. Dr H.C. Nagaraj, principal, NMIT, said, "Today the country has 102 start-ups working in cutting-edge areas of space debris management, nano-satellite, launch vehicle, ground systems, research etc. With the emerging space sector in India and many private organizations starting to build satellites, this invention will support 'AtmaNirbhar Bharat' and is a great example of 'Make In India'."

# Painted Ruminations

Artists Sameer and Raja, who recently exhibited artworks at Hebbar Art Gallery, speak to *CE* about what art means to them and the experience of hosting a collaborative exhibition

TUNIR BISWAS

THEY say when artistes collaborate, magic happens. Across many art forms, you can find such examples. A recent example of such is an exhibition at Hebbar Art Gallery, celebrating the works of artists Sameer and Raja. While they had individually worked to make their paintings, both artists came together to represent their artworks under the name 'Prarabdha Art Exhibition'.

"When Mr Murali Gatti, owner of the gallery, connected Raja and me, we decided to host this exhibition. A collaborative effort was uncommon for me as most of my art has been personal explorations, but both of us kicked it off quite well right from the start," says Sameer, who has been painting since his boyhood days but turned professional as a full-time artist only a couple of years back.

Unlike Sameer, Raja has been a professional in the art scene since 2011. Completing his post-graduation in art from Shantiniketan in West Bengal, he has been working primarily as an art teacher at a school in Tumkur.

Even though the two have been practitioners of art for many years, this is their first exhibition. Hence, the name 'Prarabdha', a word rooted in Sanskrit meaning 'begun'. While this showcase is a joint effort, art for Sameer and Raja has separate meanings. "I started with landscapes and representing nature, but now, my art has evolved into explorations of my being. It was almost like I went to paint to discover and resolve my complexes and any stress I might have been going through. I have also created art to communicate my feelings on many global causes, like pollution, for example," says Sameer, who adds that his art also ventures into the divine, and the entire process is very spiritual for him.

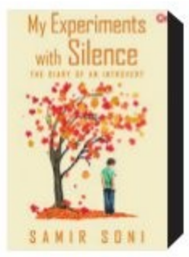
Artists Sameer and Raja

While Sameer dabbles in and out of the divine aspect of life in his art, Raja lives in it. His work is strongly influenced by mythological stories and he does it in a fairly unique manner. "I do reverse painting. It's kind of like glass painting, but I do it on an acrylic sheet. It is a transparent sheet, and I work on the backside of it. But what you see is the other side. So that is always a challenge for me. But it also helps me experiment more. Regarding my inspirations, I base my work on mythology and the divine," says Raja, adding sometimes he also bases his art on slices of his life.

Sameer feels art can be a healing process. Certain paintings have also helped him through a depressive phase in his life. For him, painting is a process that happens in solitude, and certain artworks of his hold more value for him due to the emotional weight they represent. Because of this, displaying his works of art to the public has been an interesting experience for him. "We have all heard about how art can be subjective, but this was the first time I properly got to experience it. I was observing the visitors and sometimes they used to be transfixed by a particular painting of mine that I did not value much, in the emotional sense," he laughs.

Even though these two artists have displayed some of their most valuable artworks to the public in this exhibition, is there any work that is so deeply personal to them that will never be released to the masses? "It could be. It might be true in certain instances that you choose not to reveal a particular work that is very in touch with your emotions, but I think whatever you do, you can share with others," concludes Raja.

# BOOK NOOK




## My Experiments with Silence

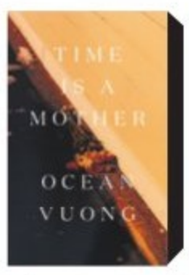
**by Samir Soni**

We are caught in a tug-of-war between our inner life and the external universe. Samir Soni found the golden means to strive through silence.

## The Hacienda

**by Isabel Canas**

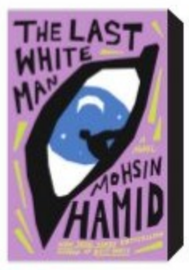
Mexican Gothic meets Rebecca in this debut supernatural suspense novel, set in the aftermath of the Mexican War of Independence, about a remote house, a sinister haunting, and the woman pulled into their clutches.




## Time Is a Mother

**by Ocean Vuong**

In this deeply intimate second poetry collection, Ocean Vuong searches for life among the aftershocks of his mother's death, embodying the paradox of sitting within grief while being determined to survive beyond it.




## The Last White Man

**by Mohsin Hamid**

The book invites us to envision a future that dares to reimagine who we think we are, and how we might yet be together.

# WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

## Cup of Chai

Taste the special add-ons of Diwali and spend your festival with a traditional warm sip of tea.

**WHERE:** Chai Point
**WHEN:** October 17 onwards
**DETAILS:** chaipoint.com

## Taste of Malay

Enjoy with your friends and family exploring a specially curated menu of varied and delicate flavours of Malay cuisines.

**WHERE:** OKO, The Lalit Ashok
**WHEN:** October 17, 12 pm
**DETAILS:** 9980158286

## Buzzing Through

Take a break from 9-5 stress and chug crafted beers with your gang.

**WHERE:** Gold Rush Brews, Krishnarajapura
**WHEN:** October 17, 12.30 pm
Details: insider.in

## Cocktail fever

Get rid of Monday blues by indulging in masterfully crafted refreshing cocktails paired with delicious food.

**WHERE:** Nazaara, Courtyard By Marriott, Hebbal
**WHEN:** October 17, 5 pm
**DETAILS:** 9606482968

## Lookin' Good

Enhance your makeup skills by learning the art of special effects makeup, along with tips and techniques from the experts.

**WHERE:** Zorains Studio, Amar Jyothi Layout
**WHEN:** October 17, 11 am
**DETAILS:** allevents.in

## Monday bliss

Bring life to the dance floor by grooving to popular Bollywood tracks with DJ Hassan.

**WHERE:** Hangover Brewery, Koramangala
**WHEN:** October 17, 8 pm
**DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

## Weekday Romp

Come and party the night away with the beats of DJ Vcky, along with food and drinks. **WHERE:** NoLimmits Lounge and Club, Brigade Road **WHEN:** October 17, 8 pm
**DETAILS:** highape.com

## Comic night

A night of unfiltered jokes as local comics dish out jokes you never heard before.

**WHERE:** Klayworkz Barista, JP Nagar
**WHEN:** October 17, 8 pm
**DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

ART OF MOVEMENT

Odissi dancers caught in a candid momemt of expression amid their performance | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

# QUICK FIX

## BANANA RAVA KESARI

Contributed by **Priya Shiva,** Chennai

**INGREDIENTS**

- **Rava/semolina:** 1/2 cup
- **Sugar:** 1/2 cup
- **Banana:** 1
- **Ghee:** 1/4 cup
- **Water:** 1 cup
- **Yellow food colour:** 1/8 tsp
- **Raisins:** 8
- **Green cardamom:** 2, powdered
- **Chopped cashews:** 8

**METHOD**

- Dilute food colour in 1 tbsp water and keep it aside.
- Peel the banana and puree it by mashing it nicely or blitz it in your blender.
- Heat 1 tsp ghee in a pan and roast cashews and raisins till light golden brown and keep it aside.
- In the same pan, roast the rava on low flame till its colour changes slightly to light brown and a nice aroma comes from it. Transfer it into a bowl and keep it aside.
- Add water to the pan and when it starts boiling, lower the flame and add colour water. Mix well.
- Add rava slowly and keep stirring. Make sure no lumps are formed. Add sugar, banana puree and mix well.
- Lower the flame, add ghee and keep stirring.
- When ghee starts leaving the sides of the pan, add roasted cashews and raisins, cardamom powder and mix well.
- Transfer the content into a serving bowl and serve it warm.

## What's cooking in your kitchen?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com

# FIT BIT

## SAVASANA VARIATION ARMS OVERHEAD BENT LEGS ASANA

(Constructive rest arms overhead pose)

**This supine restorative pose is both a transitional and a relaxing pose. It is done to bring more awareness to the body, especially the lower back and lower abdomen. Practitioners need to be aware of the knees and hips.**

**STEPS**

- Align yourself in Constructive Rest Pose. Stay here for 4 -5 minutes. Relax your mind and body with breath awareness and sink into the pose.
- Inhale and stretch the arms above you and place them behind, on the floor.
- Now, extend the arms but be conscious of keeping the shoulders stable.
- Don't lift the shoulders off the mat and keep it away from the ears, allowing relaxation of neck muscles and avoiding shoulder crunching.
- Extended arm above the head on the floor gives a gentle stretch to the heart muscles, slowly activating the heart while contracting the diaphragm.
- Breathe calmly and observe the abdominal and torso stretch.
- Experience the side, and the intercostal muscles open up, expanding the rib cage.
- After staying in the pose as per capacity, bring your arms to the sides of the body and settle back in in the original position.
- After 4- 5 breaths here, relax and rest in Savasana.

**BENEFITS**

- Stretches the arms, armpits, shoulders, upper chest and lengthens the spine.
- Brings physical, mental, emotional balance.
- Helps to bring the heart rate back to normal.
- Enhances the space in the rib cage.
- Allows to focus on any pain or spasm.
- Aligns to transit into the next pose with equilibrium and awareness.
- It is a tool for posture correction.
- It's therapeutic to patients of mild depression, anxiety and trauma.
- Asthma patients can benefit.
- Best for inner connection and realisation.
- Best practice post running and sports for runners, athletes, sports persons.

**LIMITATIONS**

Those with acute back pain, herniated disc, migraine, or heart-related issues should avoid this.

Pregnant women who find it difficult to breathe in this pose due to the pressure on the diaphragm should avoid.

Senior citizens can consider using a bolster.

**By N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai**

# NOW STREAMING

## REGIONAL

**NENU MEEKU BAAGA KAVALSINAVAADINI** (Telugu)

Theju is a software engineer who goes into depression following the break up with her boyfriend. She distances herself from her family and becomes an alcoholic.

**Cast:** Kiran Abbavaram, Sanjana Anand, Sonu Thakur

**Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

**PLAN A PLAN B** (Hindi)

When an earnest matchmaker moves into an office next to a cynical divorce attorney, their bitter conflict is complicated by a growing attraction.

**Cast:** Tamannaah, Riteish Deshmukh, Poonam Dhillon

**Watch on:** Netflix

**HUSH HUSH** (Hindi, series)

After a dangerous encounter at a party, four friends find themselves in a dark and disquieting world, as they hurtle down a rabbit hole of lies and secrets.

**Cast:** Kritika Kamra, Shahana Goswami, Karishma Tanna

**Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

**COBRA** (Tamil)

A mathematician genius, Mathi, has another identity, Cobra, who commits intelligent crimes using math.

**Cast:** Vikram, Srinidhi Shetty, Roshan Mathew

**Watch on:** SonyLIV

**ANANYA** (Marathi)

When a spirit-crushing mishap disrupts Ananya's perfect life, she cannot seem to stop sulking over her miseries. However, a whole new world of possibilities opens up after she decides to stand on her own two feet.

**Cast:** Hruta Durgule, Chetan Chitnis, Suvrat Joshi

**Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

*All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.*

**VENDHU THANINTHATHU KAADU** (Tamil)

A young low-caste village boy travels to Mumbai to earn a living and to study. His quest takes him on a series of unexpected events, where he gets involved in the underground activities of Mumbai's Tamil gangsters.

**Cast:** Silambarasan, Siddhi Idnani, Neeraj Madhav

**Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

**MISMATCHED** (Hindi, series)

After being set-up by their families, two teenagers strike up a tentative friendship at their summer programme.

**Cast:** Rohit Saraf, Prajakta Koli, Vihaan Samat

**Watch on:** Netflix

## FOREIGN

**WHEN THE WEATHER IS NICE** (Korean, series)

A young cellist, having grown tired of the city, moves back to her hometown where she meets a man who runs the local bookshop.

**Cast:** Seo Kang-joon, Park Min-young, Lee Jae-wook

**Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

**CATHERINE CALLED BIRDY** (English)

In medieval England, the daughter of a financially destitute Lord thwarts her father's plans to marry her off to a wealthy suitor. When the most vile suitor arrives, her parent's love for her is tested.

**Cast:** Bella Ramsey, Andrew Scott, Joe Alwyn

**Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

**LUCKIEST GIRL ALIVE** (English)

A writer's perfectly crafted New York City life starts to unravel when a true-crime documentary forces her to confront her harrowing high school history and question the choices she made as a teenager.

**Cast:** Mila Kunis, Chiara Aurelia, Finn Wittrock

**Watch on:** Netflix

**WEREWOLF BY NIGHT** (English, series)

On a dark and sombre night, a secret cabal of monster hunters emerge from the shadows and gather at the Bloodstone Temple following the death of their leader; the attendees are thrust into a mysterious and deadly competition for a powerful relic.

**Cast:** Laura Donnelly, Gael Garcia Bernal, Harriet Sansom

**Watch on:** Disney+Hotstar

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EXPRESS FEATURES

# WORK WITH A VIEW

City-based Surya Teja Kollipara has managed to travel around 65,000+km in the past two years. He talks about exploring the option of travelling while working, and how to make the best use of hybrid WFH

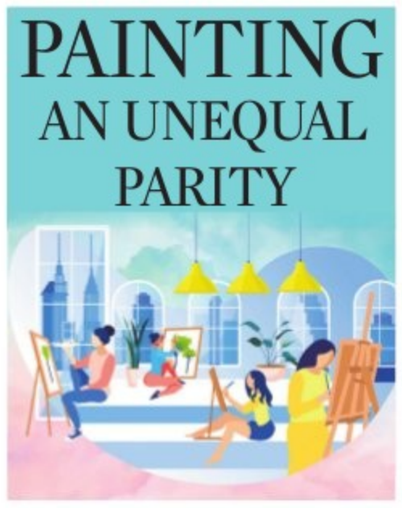
On a misty morning in January 2020, it suddenly hit avid backpacker **Surya Teja Kollipara** that he was living his dream life. At Kotagiri, a quaint village in the hills of Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu, he was managing a friend's backpacking hostel called 'The Door to Nirvana'. He was to be stationed there for six weeks. His work involved taking the in-house happiness officer, aka Djacko, the golden retriever, for a morning walk. The rest of the day was about managing the hostel and in the evenings, he ran across the tea gardens with Djacko. "At night, we used to watch movies in the home theatre. Those were the best six weeks of my life and I wanted such days forever." While he was figuring out how to get there, Covid changed work patterns. His company ShareChat, a social media app where he works as the strategy head in Bengaluru, announced work from home until further notice. This July as Teja looks back, he realises that he has travelled 65,000 km on road, swam across 35+Nm and flown above 1525m above sea level in the last two years. Even during the lockdown, he managed to stay over four weeks in places such as Auroville, Leh, Amritsar and Goa. But how does he make the 'workation' (work plus vacation) work?

It hasn't been just travel and sightseeing for Teja. Alongside his five-day remote working week, he has managed to do seven outdoor activities - surfing, kayaking, standup paddling, skiing, poi spinning, skating, scuba diving etc. Considering his workplace paid for his workstation set up and reimburses Wi-Fi costs, he could save up and use it for travel. "I was lucky that even when I tested Covid positive in April 2020, I could spend three weeks in a picturesque village in Jim Corbett National Park, Uttarakhand," says the 26-year-old traveller who documents his travel on @thegreatindianbackpacker on Instagram.

He volunteered the entire December of 2020 at Mantra Surf School/ Ashram in Mulki, Karnataka, where he learned surfing, kayaking and standup paddling (SUP). For skiing, he did a basic skiing course at the Indian Institute of Skiing & Mountaineering (IISM), Gulmarg, where he was a certified skier after clearing the exam. Similarly, in scuba diving, he gotten a Open Water Scuba Diver Certification (SSI) from a dive school in Andaman.

"For skateboarding, I got luckier, I bought a skateboard, watched Youtube videos and started cruising. It was as simple as that," he adds.

# PAINTING AN UNEQUAL PARITY



The dawn of October saw many among us queuing up to board flights or trains to the land of *rasgullas*. Weary of the Singapore Kodaikanal circuits where the only sightseeing one can ever do nowadays is an observation of a thousand other fellow tourists, experience-hungry travellers are turning to the 'never-fails-to-surprise' realm of art and culture.

And what better way to soak in a bit of that culture than to visit the Grand Matriarch of it all — the Durga Puja in Kolkata. Splendidly decorated idols of Goddess Durga, the feminine epitome of strength and the protective mother of the universe, are placed on temporary stages called *pandals* and worshipped for 10 days. A spectacular sight indeed, but are we not oceans away from the ground realities of how women are treated the world over.

We have undoubtedly come a long way from the days of yore when a woman's place was in the kitchen. Today she is everywhere. From the cockpits of aircrafts to the most powerful corporate cabins, women have occupied spaces that were unthinkable a few decades ago. And yes, her art too is slowly seeing the light of day. For centuries, like most other fields, art has been a male bastion. The creative urges did not elude women, as you may perhaps conclude, but the prevailing conditions did not allow her to blossom. Women were not admitted into art institutions and when they were finally accepted, restrictions were placed preventing them from using nude models as reference, thereby rendering it almost impossible to paint anatomically correct bodies. Besides, until the 18th century, history paintings ruled the roost, and female artists were at a disadvantage as they had to comply with social expectations of painting homely scenes.

Is the world of art any fairer now for women? In 1984, a group of anonymous female artists in America, calling themselves the Guerilla Girls and donning gorilla masks to cover their identity, decided to bring forth the injustice of gender discrimination in art. Their intense research revealed shocking disparities, from salary gaps between men and women in the art industry to the opportunities presented to showcase their art. These facts were made public by printing strongly worded posters which could not be ignored. Their sarcastic statements like "When racism and sexism are no longer fashionable, what will your art collection be worth?" and "The advantages of being a female artist: working without the pressure of success", embarrassed the power centres of art and conscious changes have been made over time by museums and galleries to correct these wrongs.

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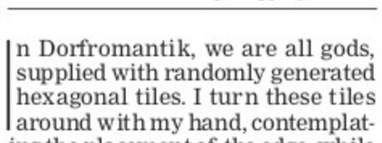
*(Jitha Karthikeyan is an artist and curator, passionate about making art accessible to the larger public)*

Absolute parity though seems a distant dream. A study of 8,20,000 exhibitions around the world in 2018 showed that only one-third featured women. Male artists continue to sell for astronomical sums at auctions with female artists barely on the horizon. It is indeed a miracle that despite the odds against them, many female artists have achieved sheer greatness. The time has now come to pave the way for women to stamp their names in tomorrow's history of art. May Durga conquer the prejudices that stood as insurmountable walls on the path to success.

# A peaceful tile placement game



ARE YOU GAME?
Anusha Ganapathi
@quofles

**(This economics graduate spends her leisure time preparing for the zombie apocalypse)**

In Dorfromantik, we are all gods, supplied with randomly generated hexagonal tiles. I turn these tiles around with my hand, contemplating the placement of the edge, while the calming in-game music plays in the background. I eventually decide to place a railway track right next to a burgeoning forest. The tile snaps into place with a click. It was a terrible move; I eliminated a forest expansion which would have given me a lot of points, while simultaneously water-locking a railway track — trains would go nowhere. But then, I zoom out. I look at how pretty my new world looks.

Symmetrical. Pleasing. Colourful. Dorfromantik features different tile types — water, farm, city, forest, or railway tracks. In the classic game mode, the game provides us with small objectives that reap rewards. Create a river 4 tiles long? Take a reward. Placed a tile in the middle of 6 other tiles? Reward. Don't know where to place a tile? Don't worry, we can tell you exactly how and where you can place it. Learning how to play the game well has its benefits — we unlock new "biomes", or colour palettes of the tiles. Eventually, Dorfromantik encourages us to play the game long enough to build worlds that look good. The game also has several different game modes —including quick (that restricts the size of the map), hard mode, and a monthly mode — which releases new rules every month, and allows competing with other players. Although it is tempting to play the creative mode to make a beautiful new world with the infinite tiles — I personally find the competitive modes more fun. It's refreshing to want a challenge like this. I never thought that I'd say I like generating points within a bounded set of choices.

What has historically scared me about hexagonal tile placement games is that each decision has big consequences. Because there are potentially a 100 + six moves to choose from, and every one of them could be wrong. Dorfromantik removes the punishment and throws in pretty-looking tiles. I'm curious to understand if Toukana Interactive realized it was a classic when they were making it — but this game officially replaces Candy Crush for me. It'll never go out of style, it's playable offline, and I can carry it anywhere — now that it's out for the Nintendo Switch.

## NUGGET

### Men's Inter-Zonal Kabaddi Tournament 2022

There was a lot of excitement and action at the Multi Sports Indoor Stadium on October 11-12, organised by Dr BNM Ayurvedic Medical College, Bijapur. More than eight teams of renowned colleges affiliated to RGUHS gathered from all over Karnataka were qualified for the Top 8 playoff in the RGUHS Men's Inter-Zonal Kabaddi Tournament 2022. The entire tournament was full of power-packed performances between the eight teams. Aditya Institute of Pharmacy Education and Research team emerged as the champions by defeating the GIMS Government College of Nursing in the finale with a score of 25-10.

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**CHANGE OF NAME**
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**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **ASHISH KUMAR GOUTHAM CHAND,** residing at No. 6/103, 4th Main, 3rd Block, Thyagarajanagar, Bengaluru-560028, have changed my Minor Son's name from **KIYANSH ASHISH KUMAR JAIN** to **KRIYANSH ASHISH KUMAR JAIN** vide affidavit Dated 07/10/2022 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru, Bangalore.

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I, **SIRI ACHAR** D/o Sri. Sanjay, residing at No.201, 1196, Satya Shankara Apartment, 9th Cross, 1st Block, 2nd Stage, Chandra Layout, Bangalore-560040, have changed my name from **SHWETA LOHAR** to **SIRI ACHAR,** vide affidavit dated 14.10.2022 sworn before notary M.Rajendra, Bangalore.

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I, **NARASIMHA MURTHY .Y.T,** S/o Late Thimmegowda, age 47 years, R/at Yadavanahalli Village, Gubbi Taluk, Tumkur District, now at Bengaluru do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter name from **DEVIKA .N** to **DEVIKA .N GOWDA,** henceforth she shall be known and called as **DEVIKA .N GOWDA** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 14-10-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **G. DAYANANDA** at Bangalore.

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I, **(OLD NAME) PRAMOD MYLAR NAGAPRAKASH,** aged about 42 years, S/o. Prakash Mylar Naga, residing at No. 25, Gowri Sadana Pampa Mahakavi Road, Shankarpuram, Bengaluru-560004, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) PRAMOD MYLAR NAGA** vide affidavit Dated 03/10/2022 sworn before Notary B.V.Nagabhushana, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **LAVANIAN DORAI RAJ (Old name),** (Date of Birth 05/09/1955) and resident of T1-1401, GM Infinite Silver Springfield, Hesaraghatta Main road, Jodi Mallasandra Village, Dasarahalli, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560057, have changed my name to **LAVANIAN DORAIRAJ** vide Affidavit dated 15/10/2022 sworn before Advocate and Notary Anuradha D, Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **REKHA BALARAM,** W/o Balaram, aged about 58 years, residing at No.111, 5th Cross, R.T. Nagar Post, Dinnur, R.T. Nagar, Bangalore - 560 032. I declare that below mentioned names **REKHA** and **REKHA BALARAM** are refers to me only and one and the same persons names only. I further state that in future i will use my name as **REKHA BALARAM.**, vide affidavit dated 11/10/2022 sworn to before V. Rajashekhara advocate and notary Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **AEYSHA YUNUS M,** W/o Yunus M, age 44 years, R/at NO. 227, Adi's North Lake Apartment, Agrahara Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Adjacent to Vidhan Soudha Layout, Bengaluru-560 064 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **AYESHA YUNUS M.** to **ANUSUYA HIREMATH,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **ANUSUYA HIREMATH** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 14th Oct. 2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **P.N. NAGESHA** at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **(OLD NAME) AMAR CHAND NAGARAJ,** aged about 35 years, S/o Nagaraj, residing at Flat No. G-3, Ground Floor, SBA Mansion, No. 58, Surveyor Street, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru-560004, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) AMAR CHAND** vide affidavit Dated 12/10/2022 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **Smt. ANITA VASANT KAMAT,** aged about 49 years W/o. Sri. Vasant Gokul Kamat, Residing at: K-1203, Mantri Aipyne, Uttarahalli, Kengeri Main Road, Subramanyapura, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru - 560061 have changed my name from **ANITHA SHENOY VADERHOBLI to ANITA VASANT KAMAT** vide Affidavit dated 15/10/2022 sworn before Advocate and Notary S.R. Thulasikrishna, Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **ARCHANA YELI Presently residing at No.1843/43, 19th cross, 20th Main, Near Maruthi Mandir, M C Layout, Vijayanager, Bengaluru -560040. Henceforth changed my name to ARCHANA HOGTAPUR vide Affidavit dated: 15/10/2022 before Notary P N Nagesha, Bengaluru.**

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **AMBICA NOVIN REDDY,** W/o Novin Reddy, age 28 years, R/at Novin Pilla Reddy, Villa No. C-3, N.V.T. Orchid Garden, Sarjapura Main Road, Chambenahalli, Bengaluru-562 125 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **AMBICA NOVIN REDDY** and **AMBIKA MOHAN KUNTE** are one and the same and belongs to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **AMBICA NOVIN REDDY** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 15-10-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **R.S. VIJAY** at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **GARIMA MISHRA,** aged 42 years, W/o. Ritesh Kumar Verma and Resident of Flat No. 641, Jal Vayu Towers, Sadanandanagar, Baiyappanahalli, Bangalore-560 038, hereby declare that I have changed my name from **GARIMA MISRA** to **GARIMA MISHRA** vide affidavit dated 15.10.2022 sworn to before K.P. Sumangala, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, at Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **RAM CHANDRA RAI , Service No. 9422227-P, Rank: SEP, S/o MADAN BDR RAI, aged about 46 years, residing at 902, DSC PL, 58 SU, Air force Station, Chimney Hills, Chikkabanavara, Bangalore- 560090, have changed my son's name from AADRASH RAI to AADARSH RAI (DOB 19-01-2011) vide Affidavit dated 15/10/2022 sworn before Advocate and Notary Anuradha D, Bangalore**

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **HALAIAH M S S/o Shanmukiah, Resident of No 193, 4th A Cross, Jakkur Layout, Bangalore -560064. do hereby solemnly affirm that as per my Adhar and Education certificates my name mentioned as HALAIAH M S. But in My Bank of Baroda Account my name is wrongly mentioned as HALAIAH instead of my original name HALAIAH M S both the names belong to me only henceforth my name will be HALAIAH M S in all my record and documents , Vide affidavit dated 06.10.2022 sworn to before Advocate and Notary L B Anasuyamma, Bangalore.**

# 'MY ROLE IN *HEAD BUSH* WILL BE A BENCHMARK IN MY CAREER'

...says Yogi, who plays Ganga in the gangster drama along with his friend Dhananjay

Yogi

A SHARADHHA

IT was Vijay-starrer *Duniya* that gave actor Yogi the moniker of *Loose Mada*, named after his character in the Suri directorial. After playing different characters in various commercial entertainers, and also playing the lead in a few projects, Yogi shares that his character of Ganga in *Head Bush* will be a new benchmark in his career.

"Ganga in *Head Bush*' is one of the best roles I have got till date. People, who usually address me as *Loose Mada* till date, will start calling me Ganga after *Head Bush*," says Yogi.

Speaking ahead of the film's release on October 21, Yogi says that over the years, his perspective and thought process while approaching different roles have changed. "I always believed that when you are an actor, there is scope for fitting into any character, which might not happen when playing the lead hero. So now, I am trying to focus on playing good characters rather than just being the hero," says Yogi. However, he is quick to add that every film offers a different opportunity, and he isn't averse to playing hero roles. "In fact, I am doing a lead role in *Kamsa*, which I am also producing."

When asked why it took a long time for him to get cast in crucial roles, Yogi feels that it is always the filmmaker's call. "It is the director who should believe that I have the potential to be cast in a role. That way, it was Dhananjay and director Shoonya, who first thought I could pull off the character, and I'm glad I could fit the bill," he says.

Yogi feels that a good gangster film cannot be just about the hero and the heroine, but also about every character in the film, and *Head Bush* is definitely one such project. Without divulging many details about Ganga, Yogi says, "Ganga is daring, headstrong, straightforward, and a close friend of Jayaraj (played by Dhananjay). Both of them stand for each other, and it is their equation that will be one of the highlights of *Head Bush*."

*Head Bush* is based on Agnee Sridhar's autobiography, *My Days in the Underworld*, and Yogi shares that he has been a fan of the writer, and has not just read the book but has seen a lot of his interviews too. "Moreover, I was born and brought up in Bengaluru, and growing up, I have heard and seen about the Underworld. I can definitely relate to the subject," he says.

Talking about working with Dhananjay, his good friend for years, Yogi says, "As an actor and a producer, Dhananjay has taken a lot of responsibilities on his shoulders. I hope he succeeds in this big venture, and he will always have my support."

A still from the film

## *Vasundharadevi* aiming for a November release

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WITH the teaser of Dharma Keerthiraj and Sonu Gowda-starrer *Vasundharadevi* being released recently, the makers are also planning to finalise the release plans for the film. If all goes well, the film, directed by Mahesh Chinmai and produced by Ashok Kaveti, might hit the screens this November.

*Vasundharadevi*, a murder mystery, has Sonu Gowda playing the titular character and will appear as the Chief Minister, and Dharma Keerthiraj will play the role of an investigative officer. The film, which stars Govinde Gowda, Rupesh, Pooja, and Seven Raj in pivotal roles, will have music by Vinu Manasu.

## Krishna-Shashank's film titled *Kousalya Supraja Rama*

The actor speaking to *CE* shares little details about the subject, the role, and his excitement to work with the *Moggina Manasu* director for the first time

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*OVE Mocktail* hero Krishna is set to collaborate with *Love 360* director Shashank for the first time. They are set to work on the romantic family drama, titled Kousalya Supraja Rama. Talking about this project, Krishna shares that there are very few directors who still deliver quality family-oriented films, and Shashank is definitely one of them. "From my end, I always have my focus on the script, and I wanted to do be part of a project that caters to the family audience. I felt it was the right script and director to go with," says Krishna, adding, "Every film will have a love story, but family elements always add emotions, and this is one such subject."

Krishna says that *Kousalya Supraja Rama* as a title might suggest that the hero will have two heroines, which is not the case. "Here I play the titular character, son of Kousalya, and the film is about the mother-son sentiment," says Krishna, who has kickstarted shooting for the film.

Jointly produced by Kourava Production House and Shashank Cinemas, *Kousalya Supraja Rama* will have Arjun Janya composing the music and Sugnyan as the DoP. "I will have two shades in the film, and the looks will be revealed soon," he says.

Meanwhile, Krishna has back-to-back projects ready for release, which includes *Mr. Bachelor, Dilpasand, Sugar Factory, Love Birds,* and *Love Me or Hate Me.*

Director Shashank and actor at the title launch event

Krishna

## Salman Khan's *Tiger 3* pushed to Diwali

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AFTER announcing on Saturday morning that his upcoming action thriller *Tiger 3* will release on Diwali and not Eid 2023, superstar Salman Khan has now sprung another surprise on his fans.

Salman's next, *Kisi Ka Bhai Kisi Ki Jaan,* which was expected to release in end-December this year, will now arrive on April 21 in 2023 coinciding with Eid.

The film will thus not release this year and avoid a Christmas time clash with Rohit Shetty's Ranveer Singh-starrer *Cirkus* (releasing on December 23).

Sharing a new poster of *Kisi Ka Bhai Kisi Ki Jaan,* Salman tweeted, "*Tiger3* now on Diwali 2023 and *Kisi Ka Bhai Kisi Ki Jaan* on Eid 2023. Let's celebrate Eid, and Diwali with #*KBKJ* and #*Tiger3*. And this Xmas with #*Cirkus*."

Earlier in the day, Salman had tweeted about *Tiger 3*'s postponement, "*Tiger* has a new date... Diwali 2023 it is! Celebrate #*Tiger3* with #YRF50 only on a big screen near you. Releasing in Hindi, Tamil, and Telugu. #katrinakaif | #ManeeshSharma | @yrf."

## *GINNA* ACTOR VISHNU MANCHU KEEN TO DO A KANNADA FILM

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RISHAB Shetty's *Kantara* is going places and has celebrities across different languages raving about the film. The latest was Vishnu Manchu, who shared his comments about the film during his visit to Bengaluru to promote his upcoming project, *Ginna*. "*Kantara* is one classic example to say that if a movie is good, the whole of India will watch it in any language," says Vis hnu, who expressed his interest to do a Kannada film in the near future.

*Ginna,* directed by Suryaah, and written by Kona Venkat, is billed to be a comedy-drama, which will release in Telugu, Malayalam, and Hindi. Talking about his relationship with Kannada cinema, Vishnu reminisced about the late veteran Ambareesh, and said he was a father figure who always supported his films. "This time, I had producer Rockline Venkatesh helping to bring this film here. He introduced me to Venkatesh, the owner of Mukunda, who will be releasing *Ginna* in Karnataka."

Ginna, produced by AVA Entertainment & 24 Frames Factory banners, has music composed by Devi Sri Prasad, and cinematography by Chota K Naidu. Ginna also stars Payal Rajput, and Sunny Leone in the lead cast.

Vishnu Manchu

## Prithviraj's look from *Salaar* revealed

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ACTOR Prithviraj is celebrating his birthday on Sunday. On the occasion, the makers of the upcoming multilingual Salaar have released his character look. The actor plays a character named Vardharaja Mannaar in the film. In the poster, he is seen sporting an intense, rugged look.'

Directed by Prashanth Neel, *Salaar* has Prabhas in the lead role. The film is bankrolled by Hombale Films, the production house behind the *KGF* films and the recently released *Kantara*. *Salaar* also stars Shruti Haasan, Jagapathi Babu, Easwari Rao and Madhu Guruswamy in prominent roles. The film is set to release on September 28, 2023. *Salaar* has cinematography by Bhuvan Gowda, editing by Ujwal Kulkarni and music composed by Ravi Basrur.

Prithviraj